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Coup plan leaks out; all's well in Greece

ATHENS, June 3 (Agencies) — Active and retired Greek military officers planned a coup d'état for Monday night, but gave up the idea when they realized that Greece's government had been made aware of their plans, an opposition member of parliament said Tuesday.

The deputy Union of Democratic Center Party member Constantine Badouvas said the officers had planned to kidnap President Constantine Karamanlis, Prime Minister George Rallis, Parliament chairman Dimitrios Papaspyrou, several ministers, members of the military high command and political party leaders. One of their first actions, Badouvas said, would have been to free the

colonels who held power from 1967 to 1974 from the Korydallis prison between Athens and Piraeus.

At least 10 coups have been plotted since the 1974 return of Karamanlis from exile in France, said Badouvas, who represents a constituency from the island of Crete.

Defense Minister Evangelos Averof confirmed the plot, but denied that active officers could have participated.

Averof also ridiculed Badouvas' insinuations that he may have harbored sympathies for the plotters, saying he was among those on the target list of the conspirators. Averof said all was calm in the country, and paid homage to the armed forces for what he called their sense of discipline and good morale. He also called attention to the efforts of Karamanlis' ruling New Democracy Party to solidify democracy in Greece.

The defense minister said that at all times since the restoration of democracy in 1974 — following a seven-year military dictatorship — any army officer who showed lack of discipline had been severely punished.

He had also issued a statement Monday evening saying that spot checks on the capital was to be carried out.

The military took over Greece in April, 1974, and after the failure of a counter-coup a few months later controlled the country until July, 1974. The military government collapsed when Greece officers of the Cypriot National Guard caused an international crisis by overthrowing President Makarios of Cyprus. The military rulers asked Karamanlis to return from exile in Paris and form a government, and democracy was restored with elections in 1974. Karamanlis was prime minister until parliament elected him as president last year.



4 firms given SR4b projects

RIYADH, June 3 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier Prince Abdullah Wednesday signed four contracts worth SR4.25 billion to build 5,720 villas for the National Guard personnel.

The Prince, who is the commander of the National Guard, had canceled tender bids last year and charged some foreign companies with highly inflated prices.

Last month he signed the first of five contracts with the French company Dumez to build 4,576 villas at a cost of SR3.26 billion.

The four other contracts, each worth SR825 million and comprise of 1,144 villas were signed with Sam Whan of South Korea; Societe Auxiliare Entreprise Francaise; and two national companies: Mapco and Beagle and Son.

The new contracts bring the total to SR7.5 billion to be invested in National Guard housing. (See story page 2).

Blasts destroy stores in Athens

ATHENS, June 3 (Agencies) — Huge fires ignited by firebombs gutted a department store and seriously damaged another in downtown Athens Wednesday, causing millions of dollars in damage, police said. Police said at least 11 firefighters were injured or suffered smoke poisoning.

Police said the two separate blasts at the Claudius Store and the Athenian Department Stores, about half a kilometer apart, were caused by firebombs with time devices. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. But police said they believe that the fires might have been set by "October 68" which last December claimed responsibility for the burning of two other large department stores in the same downtown area. That fire was also caused by firebombs.

Premier George Rallis sped to the scene with other government officials and called an emergency meeting to discuss the fires. The two stores employed a total of around 700 persons.

Police said that the eight-story building which houses the Claudius Store had caught fire around 3 a.m. local time (midnight GMT) and that 13 minutes later, the other store began to blaze. The second fire was brought under partial control, but later revived.

The "October 68" group was not known before the December fires. Shortly after those fires the group made claims to Athens newspapers that it was waging a campaign "against the capitalist system."

Lufthansa office damaged by bomb

ZURICH, June 3 (R) — An incendiary device hurled through a window of the main Swiss office of Lufthansa early Wednesday caused damage estimated at about \$50,000, a spokesman for the West German airline reported.

The spokesman said no one had yet claimed responsibility for the attack. Lufthansa offices in Rome and Paris were the targets of similar attacks in recent years without any clear indication of who was responsible. He added Zurich firemen quickly controlled the blaze in the city center sales and administrative office. No staff were there at the time of the attack.

U.S. solar plane to fly on June 12

LON ANGELES, June 3 (R) — A plane, powered by the sun, Solar Challenger, is expected to begin flights in France on about June 12 in preparations for an attempt to fly from Paris to London, the plane's designer, Dr. Paul McCready, said here Tuesday.

The U.S. plane has a 45-foot wing span covered with 25,000 solar cells. These convert sunlight into electricity, which powers a two and a half horsepower engine on the 113 kg plane. A member of the Solar Challenger team said Wednesday the plane was expected to be piloted from Paris to London by 28-year-old Steve Peak. He said a school-teacher, Janice Brown, who has flown the plane in the United States, was expected to be the pilot on an alternate flight.

Reuters correspondents reported Tuesday the plane would be piloted from Paris to London by Ray Morgan, a technical adviser to the team.

'Schmidt a true Hitlerite' Begin indicts all Germans

TEL AVIV, June 3 (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin launched a fresh outburst against Germany Wednesday, blaming the entire German people for the Nazi holocaust and repeating his contention that Chancellor Helmut Schmidt was Hitler's faithful soldier to the end.

"For what happened to the Jewish people in the 1930s and 1940s in Europe, the entire German people are responsible," Begin said in parliament. "All of them, the Communists, the Socialists, the National Socialists... they all served in the German army including Schmidt, who swore allegiance to the Fuhrer and stood by his vow to the end. And he was on the eastern front and there stands a city called Brest-Litovsk. Can I be certain that he wasn't there? I asked that question and he didn't reply."

Brest-Litovsk was Begin's hometown in Poland where the Nazis murdered his parents. Begin was replying in parliament to criticism of his previous denunciations of Schmidt which have worsened relations between Germany and Israel.

"Who says this has isolated us, asked Begin. "I have received dozens of letters from Germans and Jews in Germany, saying, 'You are right, that was how you should have reacted.'" Begin began his



attacks on Schmidt early last month when the chancellor toured Saudi Arabia and declared Germany's support for Palestinian self-determination.

Begin accused Schmidt of abdicating Germany's historic obligation to the Jewish people to compensate them for the holocaust, and called Schmidt a "greedy man" whose politics are determined only by his need for Arab oil.

"I replied to Chancellor Schmidt as I believe an Israeli prime minister should reply to a Germany and a former officer in Hitler's army on what he said when he

returned from Saudi Arabia. He can be as angry as be pleased, and the Germany newspapers can write crooked things. It doesn't impress me at all."

Begin went on to repeat his charge that Schmidt attended the trial of German officers who tried to assassinate Hitler in July 1944. "So what? Can't I say it," asked Begin. "The German people bears responsibility for the destruction of a third of our people. It needs to be purified and our wound will not heal even 10 generations from now. They killed not only our children but our sages, our doctors, our philosophers, our thinkers. They inflicted upon us deadly wounds."

When an Arab parliamentarian tried to intervene in the debate, Begin snapped. "This is an argument between Jews. You didn't suffer what we suffered, so don't interfere." Begin mocked the German reparations effort, mentioning the figure of \$800 million. Germany says it has paid out \$30 billion in restitution to victims of Nazi war crimes and to the state of Israel.

"They robbed us of tens of billions of dollars, including gold that they tore out of the teeth of our dead," Begin said. "They gave us \$800 million and they called it 'wiedergutmachung' (compensation) making good again. But there is no making good again and there never will be."

U.S. now aware of Palestine problem

By Susan Gray and Fouzi Asmar
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, June 3 — The urgency of the Palestinian issue and the Arab position

on the Arab-Israeli conflict has reached the highest echelons of the Reagan administration.

While the United States is still determined to "play the Camp David accord to their full potential," a statement this week by a senior State Department official emphasized the importance of the United States making significant progress "toward resolving the thorny Palestinian problem in relation to wider American foreign policy goals."

The blunt truth is the State Department's top Middle East expert Nicholas Veliotos explained is that the Palestinian autonomy talks — which the U.S. hopes to relaunch this fall — must show tangible progress if the U.S. is to gain ground on its goal of setting up security cooperation networks with nations in the region.

Earlier this year, in outlining foreign policy goals for the new Reagan administration, Secretary of State Alexander Haig prioritized U.S. policy aims in the Middle East by saying that establishing a "security consensus" to stop Soviet expansionism would top the list and the follow-up on the Camp David accord would come second.

The assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, talking to a group of editors and broadcasters gathered at the State Department, broke out new policy ground. Rather than the importance of his remarks comes from the clear signal they gave of the recognition by the Reagan White House of a link between its two major policy thrusts in the Middle East.

"There can be no real peace and security unless there is a solution to the Palestinian issue," acknowledged Veliotos. One American source close to Haig told the Arab News that thinking on this linkage between meeting security threats from the Soviet Union and a solution of the Palestinian issue was refined during the secretary's meetings with Middle Eastern leaders in April.

Veliotos said the U.S. is committed to addressing the future of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza with Egypt and Israel, but he did not rule out other initiatives in the peace process. But for now, it appears that U.S. wants to give the Camp David autonomy talks — stalled for a "variety of reasons" — one more chance, Veliotos said.

If round two of the autonomy negotiations between Egypt and Israel does not succeed, then apparently the U.S. — already acknowledging the importance of settling the Palestinian issue and its linkage to other broader policy goals — would be compelled to seek a new peace formula.

In the same statement, the assistant secretary described the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) as an umbrella organization which has "significant terrorist elements."

But his remarks left room for a possible move by the U.S. to begin a dialogue with the

non-terrorist" elements of the organization; observers said, and this could be part of the "tangible progress" which Veliotos said must be perceived in the Arab World.

Throughout his remarks, the assistant secretary put great emphasis on the "perception" of the U.S. policy as viewed by the Arab world. He went to great lengths to explain the Arab positions on the threat to the Middle East from the Soviet Union and the festering, unresolved Palestinian problem.

The first thrust of U.S. policy — security cooperation with the Gulf states — Veliotos implied hinges on the "extent the U.S. is regarded as achieving progress on the negotiating front."

Aid offered to oust Libyans

WASHINGTON, June 3 (AP) — The Reagan Administration, concerned about the continued presence of Libyan troops in Chad, says the United States will support all African nations that seek to resist Libyan interventionist activities.

The pledge was announced Tuesday at a State Department conference by Chester A. Crocker, assistant secretary of state-designate for African Affairs. "The administration, like many others in the world, is deeply concerned about Libyan interventionism in Africa and in particular the presence of Libyan troops in Chad," Crocker said.

He added that the administration is "determined to be supportive of those states that wish to resist what Libya has done in Chad, and it will continue to do so." Crocker did not specify what steps the United States might take to counter the presence of 6,000 to 7,000 Libyan troops in Chad, set there several months ago by Libya's leader, Col. Muammar Qaddafi, to side with President Goukouni Oueddei in that country's civil war.

Iraqi envoy shot

BEIRUT, June 3 (R) — An Iraqi diplomat was wounded Wednesday when unidentified gunmen opened fire on his car as he was driving in west Beirut, the Iraqi news agency reported. The agency named the diplomat as First Secretary Adnan Habib and said he was wounded in the left arm.

It said several shots from automatic weapons were fired and that Habib was shot twice in the arm. Habib's condition was reported satisfactory after he had been taken to the hospital. Five Iraqi embassy diplomats and workers have been shot and killed in Beirut in the past two months. In previous statements, the Iraqi embassy had hinted pro-Iranian Lebanese were responsible for the killings.

U.K. tops list

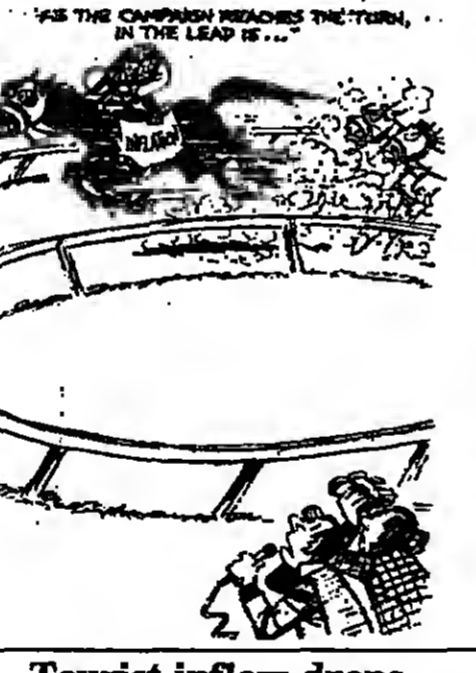
EEC consumer prices jump by 1.6%

BRUSSELS, June 3 (AP) — Consumer prices in the 10 European Economic Community countries jumped 1.6 percent in April, the highest monthly inflation rate in a year.

Figures released Wednesday by the EEC Statistical Office put the yearly inflation rate at 12.4 percent for all countries combined and showed significant rises in prices in every country except Belgium, where prices were frozen by government order in April. The biggest increase — 2.9 percent — was recorded in Britain, partly as a result of tax increases.

The breakdown countrywise showed that prices increased from March to April by 2 percent in Greece, 1.4 percent in France and Italy, 1.2 percent in Denmark, one percent in the Netherlands and 0.6 percent in West Germany and Luxembourg, Belgium's inflation rate declined by 0.1 percent and figures for Ireland were not released.

EEC planners have been especially concerned about the impact of rising prices throughout the community. The figures showed that even West Germany, which has



the best record on inflation in the EEC, had a rate of 5.5 percent inflation in the year ending April 30.

Figures for the other countries were: Netherlands 6.3 percent, Belgium 7.4 percent, Luxembourg 7.5 percent, Denmark 11.8 percent, Britain, 12 percent, France 12.8 percent, Italy 20.2 percent, Ireland 21 percent and Greece 24.3 percent.

EEC Social Affairs Commissioner Ivor Richard, in a report prepared for a June meeting of employment and finance ministers of the 10 countries predicted the unemployment rate could hit nine percent in 1982. There was a slight rise in industrial production in February the last month for which statistics are available, but the economic trends report it was too early to predict an upturn in industrial output, which has been declining since April 1981.

The hike in the inflation rate is in sharp contrast to the situation in the United States. The rate of consumer price hikes there have been slowing, settling to a yearly rate of 9.7 percent in April, the lowest in more than a year.

Tourist inflow drops

Facing shortages Poles plan trips to West

WARSAW, June 3 (AFP) — One million Poles this year will travel to capitalist countries, many in search of consumer goods, it present trends continue, the Polish News Agency PAP said.

In a "growing number of cases," especially during trips to Australia and the United States, the travelers extend their stays and "refuse to return to Poland," PAP said Tuesday. About 708,000 visitors traveled to the West in 1980, and Polish passport offices have so far issued more than 226,000 travel documents this year — an increase of 45 percent in comparison with the previous year. In Warsaw alone, the number of requests reached the figure of 2,000 a day on an average.

Observers said the sharp increase in tourism toward capitalist countries seems to be linked simultaneously to restrictions imposed on travel to other socialist countries since the strikes last summer and to inflation. The unusually high demand for travel documents has led to delays because of staffing problems

and has prevented the administration from implementing a simplification of procedures announced in early March which would give Poles an unlimited number of trips abroad on a passport valid for three years.

A Pole who has traveled frequently abroad said that his countrymen once made the trip to earn dollars that could be spent back in Poland. Today, the situation is reversed: The

Poles, facing a shortage of consumer goods at home and enjoying recent pay increases, are going abroad to spend their money. Meanwhile, tourism from the West to Poland has been decreasing. There were 876,000 visitors in 1980, or 14 percent fewer than in 1979. No estimate has yet been made for 1981, but tourism authorities expect an accentuation of this tendency.

Police storm Seoul bank, free staff

SEOUL, June 3 (Agencies) — Police stormed a bank Wednesday and arrested a man who had held 26 persons hostage for a \$730,000 ransom. Police moved when the man opened a door of the Hanil Bank branch in suburban Seoul to look out.

The hostages, mainly bank employees, were freed unharmed. The man, aged 23, whose gun and hand grenade were later found to be toy, entered the bank just before closing time and held the persons hostage for more than three hours.

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Meanwhile, the National Assembly Education Committee was told Wednesday, that South Korea's university campus unrest is the work of a small group of leftist students whose aim is the violent overthrow of the present government.

The committee met following three days of anti-government student demonstrations on the campus of Seoul National University last week. One student jumped to his death from a five-storey library balcony during the disturbances.

Bonn keeps inflation at 5.6 percent

BONN, June 3 (AFP) — The West German economy, once the light of the Western industrialized world, is going through a black period, according to official figures published Wednesday.

These show that unemployment is at a record level, trading figures in deficit, the mark weak and the budget stretched to the limit. The one glimmer of the economy's former glory is that inflation, running at 5.6 percent a year, is the lowest in the West.

In a debate on the 1981 budget in parliament Wednesday Chancellor Helmut Schmidt did not reply directly to opposition attacks, but warned that continued high U.S. interest rates could result in a "world recession" and at best would delay the upturn.

At the end of May 1.1 million people were without jobs. This is the highest May figure for 27 years and represents a 45 percent increase in a year.

While foreigners take advantage of the 38 percent devaluation of the mark against the dollar over the last 18 months by buying German goods, industrial output in March and April was at the same level as in January and February.

Foreign trade, which registered a hefty deficit in March, recorded its best figures for a year in April with a surplus of \$1,390 million. But this will not meet the enormous deficit on invisible trade with tourism showing an ever-growing deficit, even in winter.

In the first four months of the year, on the basis of the current account, including trade and invisibles, West Germany registered a huge balance of payments deficit of 9,400 million marks. These figures cast doubt on government forecasts, and officials admit this in private.

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Abdullah signs SR4.24b contract

RIYADH, June 3 (SPA) — The Commander of the National Guard, Prince Abdullah, Wednesday signed four contracts worth SR 4.24 billion with local, French and South Korean companies, an official statement said.

The statement said the contracts followed last month's agreement with Dumez of France which won a SR 3.26 billion contract to build 4,576 villas for National Guard personnel.

The four agreements, which call for the construction of 5,720 villas in Dammam, Hasa, Jeddah and Taif, bring the total to SR7.5 billion for the first stage of housing schemes of the Guard.

The statement named the winners of the new contracts as Sam Wan of South Korea, Societe Auxilliere Entreprise Francaise and two Saudi Arabian companies: Mapco and Beagle and Son. Each of the winning contractors will build 1,144 villas at a cost of SR 825 million.

Completion date of each contract ranges between 26 and 36 months, the statement said.

Other projects on the drawing board will follow in the near future to ensure adequate housing to all the men in the force in various parts of the country, according to an official spokesman. The first of the contracts signed Wednesday includes 2,288 villas in Hasa at a cost of SR1,650 million. It was awarded to Sam Wan of Korea which agreed to complete the project in 36 months, with 1144 villas to be delivered in 30 months and the remaining lot during the last six months of the agreement.

The second contract for 1,144 villas in

Dammam was awarded to Mapco of the Kingdom for SR825 million and a period of 27 months. It was signed on the company's behalf by Yusuf Al Hamdan, general manager.

The third contract for 1,144 Jeddah villas at a cost of SR825 million in a period of 30 months was awarded to Beagle of Saudi Arabia and signed by Samir Al Tawil, its president.

The fourth contract for 1,144 villas in Taif, for SR825 million was awarded to the Freoch company, Societe Auxilliere Entreprise Francaise, which agreed to complete it in 27 months. It was signed by its general manager, Roger Rochet.

The spokesman said each villa will cost SR700,000, fully furnished, while all the housing schemes will be provided with all the infrastructure and other services, parks, gardens and schools. Each villa will be two stories high with a built up area of 300 square meters and a 250 square meter garden.

The companies selected for the awards, the spokesman said, are some of the best national and international organizations in construction and contracting and have done a lot of similar projects in various parts of the world.

The Guards Deputy Commander, Prince Badr, said the force has a number of other projects, civil and military, and they will be announced when they become ready for implementation.

"Some people may think that we are slow in acting," he said. "But I can assure you that all our plans must go through a process of detailed study and consideration before they are approved."



OPENING: Deputy Riyadh Governor Prince Sattam formally opened the new Waha hotel in the capital Tuesday. Picture shows him cutting the ribbon at the start of the ceremony. The main hotel is in Jeddah.



LUNCHEON: A view of the luncheon party given by Iberia for travel agents and pressmen at Hyatt Regency hotel in Jeddah Wednesday to promote travel to Spain at modest rates.

For royal visit Spaniards offer short trips

By Javid Hassan

JEDDAH, June 3 — The Iberian Airlines is introducing biweekly flights from Jeddah to Barcelona, providing the tourists an opportunity to visit Costa del Sol which has a beach front of 70 km, studded with 45 five-star, 400 four-star and over 3,000 three-star hotels.

The tours are being promoted by Madrid Amigo, the municipal agency of Madrid which is headed by the mayor. Fayed Claude Sioufi of Iberian Airlines told *Arab News* Wednesday that the flights are being organized on the occasion of the forthcoming visit to Spain of King Khaled starting June 13.

The tour, which includes three free nights in Madrid, transport facility, flamenco dinner, accommodation in four-star hotels and free guide service, will be sold at an all-inclusive fare of SR3,770. The tour will enable tourists to see the mosque of Cordova whose architectural features allow the faithful to see the Imam from anywhere in the mosque. They can also watch the bull fight buy gold ashtrays

and earrings from Toledo or see the other delights of Spain which received 39 million tourists last year.

Sioufi said that unlike in other countries municipalities in Spain were autonomous. They had their own police and could take independent action without having to consult the government on matters pertaining to their jurisdiction.

The airline is also making arrangements for the World Cup Soccer being held in Spain from June 13, 1982 with the finals on July 11. "We hope that Saudi Arabia, which has a strong team, will participate in the event," Sioufi said. "The airline has already sold 70 tickets of the total of 200 at the rate of SR39,000, which includes free return fare, besides food, accommodation and transport charges.

Meanwhile, Palacios, assistant mayor of Madrid, and Madera, manager, Madrid Amigo, are arriving in Jeddah Thursday. They will visit the Jeddah municipality before proceeding to Riyadh. They will be accompanied by Pedro Herrero, Iberian manager for Saudi Arabia and Yemen.

Sultan attends graduation ceremony

KHARJ, June 3 (SPA) — Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan attended the graduation ceremony of technicians at the ordnance factories here Wednesday. The 374 men graduated from the industrial training center. They formed the seventh batch of students to complete their training at the center.

Prince Sultan arrived in the morning where he was welcomed by Gen. Ibrahim Al-Farsi, director general of the factories, and senior officers of the armed forces as well as other

military personnel.

The center's director of education Major Muhammad Al-Harthy said that the group was one of the largest to graduate and includes well trained men in many trades including mechanics industrial drawing and design, electricity industrial security and chemistry.

Prince Sultan said he was happy to attend the ceremony and proud of the services of the center which supports the factories in the service of Islam and peace.

"We like to work in silence and without fanfare to serve our dear country," he said, urged the graduates and the staff to do their best and wished them well to their chosen professions.

Naif, Basri conclude talks

RABAT, June 3 (SPA) — Interior Minister Prince Naif held a final meeting with his counterpart, the Interior Minister of Morocco Idris Al Basri, here Wednesday, for talks about mutual relations and cooperation in security matters.

Prince Naif who arrived here Monday on official visit held a round of talks with Basri Tuesday. He praised the wise policy being adopted by King Hassan of Morocco and said that it would save the country and place it in an exalted position in the world. He lauded the role being played by the two countries in international affairs.

He briefed the Moroccan side of the implementation of the Kingdom's development programs in various fields for the welfare and prosperity of the people of Saudi Arabia. Prince Naif illustrated his country's importance in having the honor of Allah's House on its land. As such the Kingdom felt a great responsibility for providing welfare, progress, and prosperity to a land of prime concern to every Muslim since the dawn of Islam.

He expressed his satisfaction with the existing cooperation between the ministries of the interior of the two countries. He also stressed the need to shoulder the responsibilities for securing peace and stability to all pilgrims and make their journey to the holy places easier and comfortable.

He extended an invitation to his Moroccan counterpart to visit the Kingdom in the near future for completing the discussions on the means of cooperation between the two countries.

Earlier, inaugurating the Saudi Arabian-

Moroccan talks. — Basri welcomed Prince Naif and his accompanying delegation, asserting that the visit to Morocco demonstrates the strong relations existing between the two Arab countries. He pointed out the visit would contribute in further cementing the ties between the interior ministries in the two countries.

Basri praised the Kingdom's sincere efforts in protecting the Holy Islamic sites and the facilities it provides for the pilgrimage. He also hailed the positive results of the third Islamic summit conference of Taif in the service of Islamic and Arab issues.

The Moroccan interior minister pointed out that both King Khaled and King Hassan were keen to support the sublime goals of Islamic nations.

The talks were attended, from the Saudi Arabian side, by Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Al Sheikh, Frontier Corps Commander Gen. Mubammad ibn Halla, Deputy Interior Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Jammaz, Special Security Forces Commander Maj. Gen. Muhammad Al-Balla, Internal Security Forces College Commander Brig. Muhammad Ali Al-Suhaili and the Interior Minister's Office Director General Muhammad Al-Shawi.

The Moroccan side included Interior Ministry Muhammad Hajji, Rabat and Sola Governor Omar ibn Shams and Royal Desk Commander Col. Husni ibn Sulaiman.

Meanwhile, Prince Naif visited various schools and institutions of the Moroccan Interior Ministry later Tuesday. He was accompanied by Basri and Saudi Arabian Ambassador Ali Majid Al-Kabani.

FROM THE GULF

ABU DHABI, June 3 (WAM) — J.A. Dorantz, the ambassador at the Dutch Foreign Ministry, left here Wednesday morning after a two-day visit to the UAE as part of a tour of the area.

He was seen off at the airport by Yaqoub Al-Kindi, acting undersecretary at the foreign ministry and head of the political department, and a number of senior ministry officials.

While here, Dorantz discussed with Kindi subjects of talks during the visit of Christoffer Van Der Klaauw, the Dutch foreign minister and president of the EEC council, who will arrive here next Tuesday.

Klaauw's tour of the Middle East is the third of its kind. The first two were made earlier this year when Holland took over the presidency of the ECC replacing Luxem-

bourg.

ABU DHABI, June 3 (WAM) — Yaqoub Al-Kindi, acting under-secretary of the UAE foreign ministry, Wednesday conferred with the outgoing Pakistani ambassador to the UAE, Rifat Pasha Sheikh, who had farewell on the occasion of the expiry of his term of office in the country.

Kindi also met with West Germany Ambassador Eberhard Kuhnt who reviewed with him bilateral relations and the current situation in the Middle East.

Kindi met with the American Charge D'affaires in the country Patrick Nikolas Theros as well. Bilateral relations, the situation in the Middle East in general and Lebanon in particular were reviewed at the meeting.

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U.K. minister urges greater trade relations with Kingdom

London Bureau

LONDON, June 3 — British secretary of state for trade, John Biffen praised the formation of the new Gulf Cooperation Council Tuesday and advised British companies to be aware of this wider background for Saudi Arabia's ambitions in their dealings with the Kingdom.

Biffen was speaking at a luncheon at the conclusion of a two-day conference in London, "the Role of International Companies in Saudi Arabia's Development Plans", organized by the *Saudi Gazette* and the non-profit making Avicenna Foundation.

"The trend toward intra-Gulf cooperation on industrial and economic projects is already unmistakable. The formation of the new Gulf Cooperation Council marks a major development which can only add impetus to the trend," said Biffen. "The economies of the Gulf will inevitably draw closer together as they pursue common interests. It is against their background that I believe you should see Saudi Arabia's industrial ambitions."

"In many sectors, Saudi Arabia will not be a single closed market. It is much more likely to be an industrial springboard, supplying a range of manufactured goods to its neighbors and taking different products from them in

return," he said.

He made particular reference to the small number of British firms with a manufacturing presence in Saudi Arabia, despite the 25,000 or more British expatriates in the Kingdom. This situation is likely to change, he said, and concluded by inviting British companies who feel they can contribute to joint ventures in the manufacturing sector to bring their idea directly to the Department of Trade for consultation.

Although governments tend to be more and more involved in the development of trade, he said, it was the responsibility of industry to win contracts on their own. Nevertheless it is the government's task to ensure the framework is right for business and ensure a cordial political atmosphere. For this reason the visit of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to Saudi Arabia in April and the visit of King Khaled to Britain this month are of such importance, he said.

The possibilities for joint ventures in the Saudi Arabian mining sector were described by Governor of Petromin, Dr. Abdul Hadi Taher. Joint venture refining and mining projects are of critical importance to Saudi Arabia's development, because they provide an important base for further industries.

Nevertheless he made clear that although the Saudi government feels it is its duty to

identify mineral resources, it is not necessary to exploit them immediately unless there is local demand for them. From the Kingdom's economic standpoint, it is preferable to leave them rather than export them, he said.

Dr. Taher reported considerable satisfaction with the number of Saudi Arabian employees attracted to the mining industry. The east-west crude oil pipeline which opens next month has attracted large numbers of Saudi personnel despite the inhospitable conditions at its thirteen pumping stations, he said.

Explaining Saudi Arabia's plans to Sandize the local labor force, Sheikh Khaled Alfreza, Chairman of Saudi Cable Company argued that Saudi Arabia is active in training both Saudi Arabian and foreign labor.

Kingdom to attend Geneva meeting on environment

JEDDAH, June 3 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia will attend an international conference on protection of environment and natural resources set for opening in Geneva on Sunday.

The four-day conference organized by the International Association for Protection of Environment and Natural Resources is expected to discuss measures and means of containing the environment and natural resources from pollution and other damaging atmospheric factors.

Meanwhile, Eastern Province Environment Health Committee met in Dammam Wednesday and discussed technical reports forwarded by its technical department.

Some reports were also presented by municipalities in the region. The committee also discussed finishing work on the Nuayria water purification plant and digging a well for Umran Municipality. The committee commissioned technical experts to study digging of the well which is to be located at a slaughter house.

The committee approved a three month extension to a contract for cleaning the town of Nuayria. The contract has expired without making preparations for letting a new one.

Hospital decided for Riyadh city

RIYADH, June 3 (SPA) — Riyadh Governor Prince Salman chaired a meeting of the Riyadh development committee and decided on a number of issues including the construction of schools and hospitals in the capital.

The meeting was attended by senior officials from the ministries of education and health as well as the Mayor, Abdullah Al Naim. The committee decided to build modern schools in the town center since most of the schools which have been built so far are sited outside the town. It was also resolved to build a large general hospital and several dispensaries. The sites have been selected and it remains to buy the lands from their present owners to start construction.

COMMENT

by Awadh Halwani
Al Nadwa

People frequently discuss the phenomenon of inflated bridal money, which is considered to be the biggest obstacle facing the country's young men today.

But a respectable old man, known for his vast knowledge of many social problems, did not agree with the general thinking on the matter and, in fact, said convincingly that no such phenomenon exists at all. To bring his point home, he asked a gathering of people whether they have ever heard or seen someone demanding an unreasonable bridal money for his daughter. No one, however, could give a reply to prove that in the affirmative, but confirmed having never come across a man who demanded a huge sum as the bridal gift for his daughter.

The old man then said that there actually never was any such problem, though there have been other problems of our own making. We face problems only because we want the wedding reception at a gigantic scale. We insist on illumination, decoration, the sacrifice of a large number of animals for the grand feast on a large table. We also do not want to ignore the presence of a songstress to entertain the gathering with her performances, and we would not hesitate to pay her a "respectable" amount which may even be beyond SR 20,000 or so. All this extravagance is of little consequence to the marriage itself.

A close study of these matters would make us realize that it is not the inflated bridal money which upsets the families, but there are other unnecessary manifestations which many of us consider as indispensable components of a wedding. Therefore, we ought to think about these matters with a sensible mind and try not to overspend in parties. We should try to create facilities for a happy and dignified family life, reminding ourselves that it is not the high dowry but related manifestations which make a wedding an unimaginably extravagant affair.

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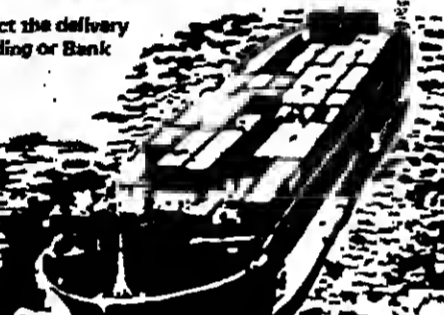
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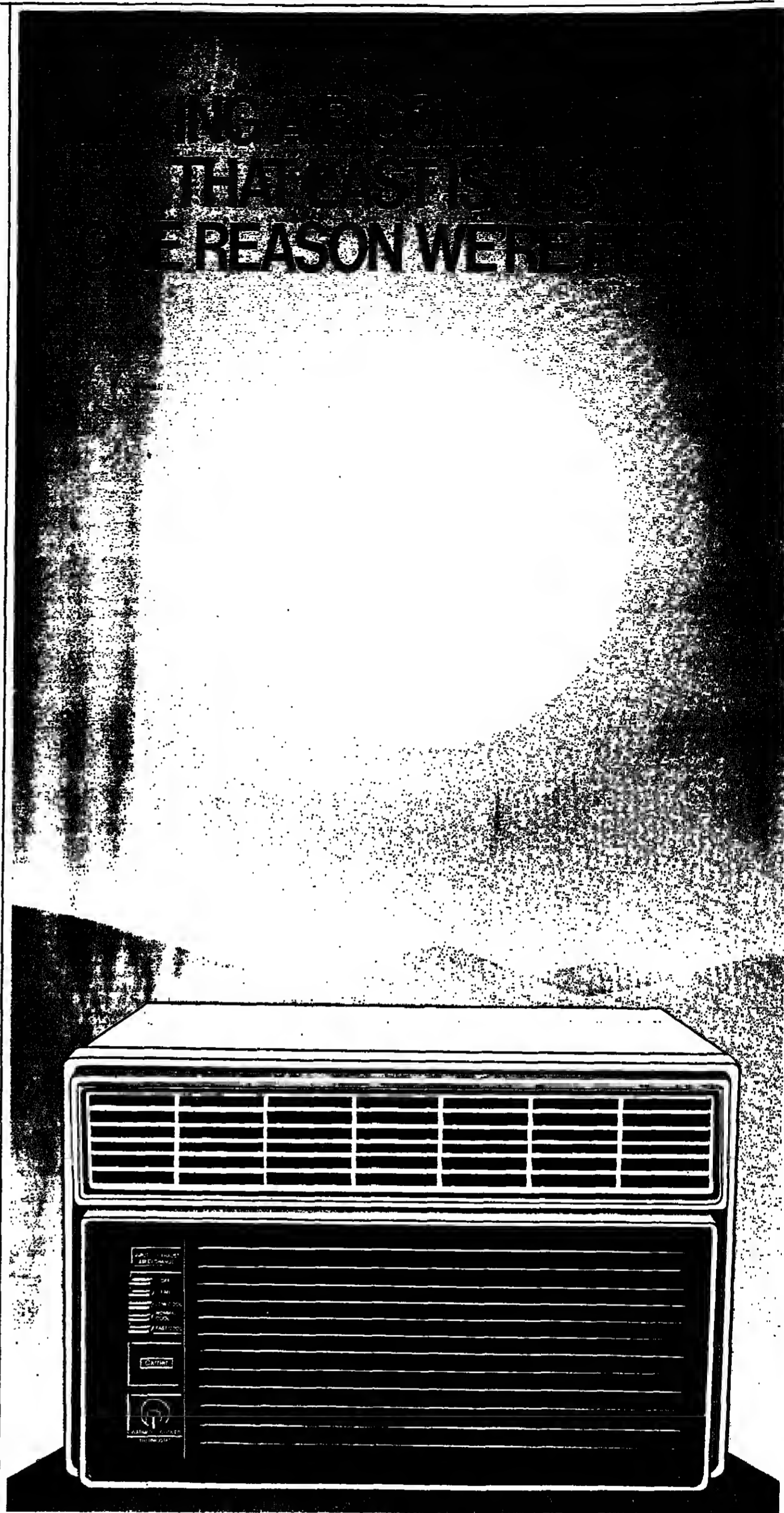
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In northern Lebanon

Israeli gunboats shell refugees

BEIRUT, June 3 (Agencies) — Israeli gunboats shelled a Palestinian refugee camp in northern Lebanon Wednesday on the second straight day of attacks on commando positions, the Palestine Liberation Organization reported.

Local reporters in Tripoli, Lebanon's second largest city, said rocket-firing helicopter gunships supported the attacking naval units. But the PLO spokesmen in Beirut had no information on the use of helicopters. The naval assault was the third major Israeli operation against Lebanon-based Palestinians since Syria deployed surface-to-air missiles in east Lebanon five weeks ago, touching off a crisis with Israel that threatens of kindle a new Mideast war.

N. Yemen air force commander killed in 'copter crash

CAIRO, June 3 (AP) — A North Yemen helicopter crashed Tuesday killing Air Force Commander Maj. Aly Muhammad Abu Oshba and seven others, according to a Qatari news agency report datelined Sanaa.

The report said the dead included Muhammad Ghafary, deputy commander of the signal corps and Salem Abdo Mathy, identified as commander of the air base. Others were identified only as military men.

The helicopter crashed while flying over Gouf airport, northwest Yemen, the brief report said without elaborating on the reason of the crash or giving any other details. The report was distributed by the Egyptian Middle East news Agency.

Shortly after the PLO and Israel reported the naval assault on northern Lebanon's Nahr el-Bared (Cold River) refugee camp, a police spokesman in Beirut said heavy fighting broke out at mid-morning between Syrian forces and Lebanese rightist militias in east Lebanon's besieged city of Zahle. The spokesman said Syrians and the militias blamed each other for the fresh outbreak which shattered a nightlong ceasefire in the city of 200,000 inhabitants 48 kilometers east of Beirut.

Fifteen persons were injured in the firing, which at one point reached a pitch of 15 shells a minute, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam returned to Damascus Tuesday night from Riyadh where he delivered a message from President Hafez Assad to King Khalid.

In Washington, the U.S. State Department spokesman Dean Fischer said the U.S. has never given Israel "any green lights" to attack Palestinian positions in Lebanon.

"We have urged from the beginning of the Lebanese crisis all parties to avoid any military escalation," he said Tuesday.

The spokesman refused to confirm or deny a report carried in *Jusalem Post* newspaper Tuesday, according to which Secretary of State Alexander Haig sent a message Friday to Israel Premier Menachem Begin to protest Israeli raids in southern Lebanon. Begin said in an interview Monday he would not order the interruption of Israeli raids on Palestinian positions in Lebanon when U.S. special envoy Philip Habib resumes his shuttle diplomacy later this week.

Haig said Tuesday there is a deadline for achieving progress toward a resolution of the conflict between Israel and Syria over the

missiles. "There is a time limit to achieving some progress, and I'm hopeful we will," Haig said at a State Department conference for editors and broadcasters in Washington. Although Haig did not say what the time limit is, his statement was the first public acknowledgment by the administration that such a deadline exists.

Philip Habib, President Reagan's special Mideast envoy, is scheduled to return to the region later this week to resume his peace efforts. Habib said at the White House Friday that no one had set a time limit for the success of his mission.

Begin had told reporters Monday that a time limit had been set, but declined to say what it was. While he declined to comment specifically on Begin's remarks, Haig said there is "some sense of urgency."

Senator opposes reduced U.K. role in Gulf

LONDON, June 3 (AP) — Visiting Senator John G. Tower Tuesday said the U.S. would be concerned at a cutback in the naval capability of Britain or any other North Atlantic Alliance country.

The Texas Republican who presides over the influential Senate Armed Services Committee told a news conference Americans "are very delighted to have British naval units patrolling with us" in the Gulf region. Their contribution, along with that of France, is very significant, he said.

"Obviously, we would not like to see it (the Royal Navy's) capabilities diminished because we have been drawing down ours," he stressed. "We would be very disappointed to see, on the part of anyone in NATO any serious degradation of naval capability." Tower is here for informal talks with British government ministers and lawmakers.

U.K. will stress EEC proposal, Carrington says

LONDON, June 3 (R) — British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington has said Britain would continue to push the European initiative on the Middle East during its forthcoming presidency of the European Economic Community (EEC). But he added: "Let no one doubt the importance of the Americans' role in the search for peace (in the Middle East)."

Carrington was addressing a luncheon held by the British Middle East Association. The association is made up mainly of businessmen. The foreign secretary said the EEC, in accordance with a declaration made by community foreign ministers at a Venice summit last year, was trying to promote a balanced approach to a Middle East settlement based on including the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in the peacekeeping process. "We shall be doing what we can to carry things forward during our presidency of the European community in the second half of this year," Lord Carrington said. He said this would not undermine American efforts in the region.

There could be no real stability in the Gulf or any other part of the Arab world, Carrington said, until the Arab-Israeli conflict was settled. Such stability, he said, is vital to our own economic health and to our security.

South Yemen to send token military force to Syria

ADEN, June 3 (R) — South Yemen has decided to send a token military force to Syria, Foreign Minister Saleh Muhammad said here Wednesday.

Muhammad, who returned from a visit to Damascus Tuesday, said in a statement the force was intended "to bolster Syria's stand in the current struggle with the Zionist enemy and imperialism." He did not say how big the force would be or when it would be sent.

South Yemen is an ally of Syria in the Arab Confrontation Front against Israel, which includes Algeria, Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization. Officials in Aden said the Yemeni token force would be stationed in Syria and would not be part of the ADF.

Belgium ups security near Arab embassies

BRUSSELS, June 3 (AP) — Belgian authorities have increased security around the Palestine Liberation Organization's office and several Arab embassies following the slaying of a top PLO emissary, a government spokesman said.

The spokesman would not elaborate on the additional security measures except to say they include more regular surveillance of the PLO office and "several Arab embassies" by Belgian security officers. The spokesman did not name the Arab embassies.

Naim Khader, the 41-year-old PLO representative in Brussels was shot to death Monday outside his home. Police believe the assailant, who fired six bullets into Khader at close range, was a professional killer. Police said they have no clues to the identity of the gunman. They issued a composite picture of the killer based on description given by witnesses to the shooting. The blamed Israeli agents for Khader's assassination.

BRIEFS

PARIS, (AFP) — Algerian Foreign Minister Muhammad Benyahia flew to Paris Wednesday for specialist medical treatment for injuries received in an air crash last Saturday at Bamako, Mali. Benyahia, who reportedly has a double fracture of the thigh bone, was carried from his special aircraft aboard a stretcher and taken by ambulance to the Cochin Hospital here.

NEW DELHI, (AP) — Afghanistan's government charged Tuesday night that Pakistan has placed ground-to-air missiles along its border with assistance from China.

CAIRO, (AFP) — Eight members of the Egyptian Progressive Regroupment Party (Marxists and Nasserites) were arrested Tuesday, according to a party communiqué.

TEHRAN, (AFP) — Kazem Rajavi, Iranian charge d'affaires to Senegal, has resigned and refused a call to return to Iran to answer questions concerning secret documents stolen from the foreign ministry, the department announced Tuesday.

ANKARA, (R) — The Turkish government Tuesday imposed a sweeping ban on political debate. The government ordered all those who used to belong to political parties not to talk or write about the country's political future.

CAIRO, (R) — Egyptian Defense Minister Abdul-Halim Abu Ghazala will go to Vienna Friday for talks with Austrian officials on a possible arms deal, the semi-official newspaper *Al-Ahram* said Wednesday.

ROME, (R) — An Iranian woman who took part in the hijack of a Luftansa airliner during which the pilot was killed was sentenced Tuesday in her absence to 30 years' jail. Soraya Ansari, whose whereabouts are unknown, was sentenced by a Rome court.

ATHENS, (R) — Greece and Syria Tuesday signed an agreement on judicial issues of mutual interest, a spokesman for the Greek ministry of justice said.

ISLAMABAD, (AP) — Thirty-one persons were killed and 12 others injured near Abbottabad in northwest Pakistan Tuesday when a bus plunged into a deep ravine, Associated Press of Pakistan reported.

Mobilize against Israel, Saud tells Islamic states

BAGHDAD, June 3 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal called on the Islamic countries Tuesday to mobilize their potentials and capabilities for the struggle against Israel and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. He also called on them to take their fate in their own hands and steer clear from superpower rivalries.

The Gulf News Agency said the prince was addressing the evening session of the Islamic foreign ministers conference in Baghdad Tuesday. Referring to the Arab-Israeli conflict, Prince Saud was quoted as saying: "Rights cannot be regained by imploring, shedding tears and capitulating... they can only be wrested through steady and diligent struggle." Prince Saud said: "The big powers have no permanent friends or foes... they only have permanent interests," according to the agency.

"The fate of the Muslim countries should not be drawn in Washington or Moscow. They should be decided in the Islamic capitals and by Islamic will." He criticized both the United States and the Soviet Union, and drew a comparison between their positions in the Middle East and Afghanistan.

The agency quoted Prince Saud as telling the foreign ministers: "The United States, while building its traditional policy on the support of the Zionist entity (Israel) and ignoring the rights of the Palestinian people, has come out in support of the Afghan people. On the other hand, the Soviet Union has taken a perceptible role of supporting the Arab rights in Palestine... a role we hope will continue effectively and lead to the solution of the problem in a way that secures free rights. But the Soviet Union has no right to rob the rights of the Afghan people."

Prince Saud also expressed the hope that Iran and Iraq would be able to reach a "peace, just and honorable" solution to their eight-month-old conflict. He also said he hoped the combatants would accept the efforts of the Organization of Islamic Confer-

ence (OIC) to mediate in the dispute through its nine-man goodwill mission.

Earlier, Habib Chatti, OIC secretary general, told the Baghdad meeting that his commission will continue its efforts to end the war between the two countries.

The senior Palestine Liberation Organization member Farouk Kaddoumi urged all Islamic states to break diplomatic relations with Israel and to impose economic and political sanctions against the Zionist state. Kaddoumi, a member of the PLO Executive Committee, also appealed to Islamic countries for political and financial support of the PLO, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported.

The PLO official said that Islamic countries should call for Israel's suspension from the United Nations, form an Islamic bureau to boycott Israel and form a U.N.-sponsored commission for guaranteeing the application of resolutions taken at the current foreign ministers' meeting. He also called on conference participants to work toward a solution of the Lebanese crisis.

Zhao holds talks with Zia

ISLAMABAD, June 3 (AP) — Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang had a third round of talks with President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq here Tuesday, official Pakistani sources said. The talks focused on bilateral relations, as the two leaders reviewed "ways of improving the existing friendly relations between the two countries," the sources said.

Earlier, Tuesday, Prime Minister Zhao and President Zia made a helicopter visit to an Afghan refugee camp at Nasir Bagh in Pakistan's Northwest Frontier Province. Speaking to the refugees, Zhao expressed his "solidarity with the Afghan people in their struggle for freedom and sovereignty."

W. African states set up defense pact

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone, June 3 (R) — Spurred by Libyan military advances into Africa, West African states have set up a defense pact to guard against external aggression.

At a meeting in Freetown last week, the heads of state of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) adopted a protocol "relating to mutual assistance on defense for the community." The aim is to ensure the security of a region with 76 states and about 158 million people.

ECOWAS executive secretary, Dr. Abt Bakar Diaby Ouattara, said after the conference that all states would earmark units in their national armies for the purpose of joint military defense. When the combined forces go into action, they would be known as the ECOWAS allied forces.

Discussions on a defense pact began two years ago. ECOWAS sources said Libyan intervention in Chad last year had served to concentrate attention on the security aspect of regional cooperation.

In a military operation of a kind not seen since World War II, Libya moved a tank force across 1,800 kms of the Sahara desert. This force helped Chad's President Goukouni Oueddei to defeat rebel forces of former Defense Minister Hissene Habre. Even before Libyan intervention in Chad, there were fears in the region, voiced mostly by

former Senegalese President Leopold Senghor, that Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi was preparing to use force to build his dream of an Islamic Saharan state.

ECOWAS models itself to a large extent on the European Economic Community (EEC) — but in its decision to opt for military as well as economic cooperation, it has taken a turning which its European counterpart did not. The fact that ECOWAS members' weaponry comes from Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Britain, France and the United States is expected to make the integration of forces difficult.

Meanwhile, in Abidjan a Chad rebel spokesman said Tuesday Soviet advisers were helping Libyan troops in the war-torn Central African country.

Baba Viskine, a top leader of the forces of ousted Defense Minister Hissene Habre whose troops were forced to flee Chad's capital of N'djamena last December, said Russian voices were heard in military radio communications between pilots and the control tower in N'djamena.

He claimed Libya had now over 10,000 regular troops in Chad to support President Goukouni's forces. Viskine, who is touring West African capitals before the coming Organization of African Unity (OAU) regular summit in Nairobi later this month, said Africa as a whole must take urgent action to ward off the "global Libyan threat."

For meddling in Lebanon

Hussein lashes out at Israel

AMMAN, June 3 (AP) — King Hussein blasted Israel Tuesday for its role in the crisis in Lebanon but refrained from pledging direct political or military support for neighboring Syria in the event of confrontation.

In an interview at his palace, Hussein accused Israel of contributing to the "delicate, disturbingly dangerous and explosive situation" in the Middle East and of trying to drive the Palestinians out of the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"They (the Israelis) feel they have the right to threaten any (people) and indeed to use force to deal with any (people) outside their immediate area," he told reporters from AP, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post* and London's *Financial Times*. "The danger that has occurred in Lebanon is known and should be known to people the world over in a clearer way than ever before. Israel feels, I believe, that no one has the right to defend himself against these attacks or to enhance their capability to do so. This is a situation that is intolerable." The Jordanian ruler said.

The king was referring to Israel's attacks on Palestinian-populated areas of Lebanon, and its April 28 attack on two helicopters of Syrian peacekeeping troops that prompted the Syrians to deploy anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon the next day.

Asked if Jordan would come to the aid of Syria if it was attacked by Israel, the king said: "Jordan already has its hands full on the longest confrontation line with Israel and one must see that may or may not happen in the future."

Hussein denied he was hedging on support for Syria and added: "I'm saying it's a very dangerous time and as far as the Israelis are concerned, it is intolerable. If there is an eruption, then we'll have to do all we can to prevent this country from being overrun."



King Hussein

"I believe it (Lebanon) is a powder keg," said Hussein. "I have always referred to it as such, and the fuses are there and let's hope they are removed before an eruption occurs that would jeopardize far more... An explosion could erupt in the area on a larger scale that would cause all of us within the area, maybe within the world, tremendous damage."

Hussein said Jordan supported Syria's 1976 intervention to halt the civil war between Lebanese Christians and an alliance of Palestinians and Lebanese nationalists as a means of stopping bloodshed and promoting peace. In the face of an Israeli threat, we are obviously united," said Hussein, noting Arab League foreign ministers, at their meeting in Tunis May 22-23 had unanimously promised Syria "every assistance in case of a war including the direct participation of Arab armed forces."

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On Afghan peace plan

Carrington to sound Paris, Bonn

LONDON, July 3 (Agencies) — British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, current chairman of the European Community's Council of Ministers, will meet with his French and West German counterparts Sunday to discuss Afghanistan, the Foreign Office has confirmed here.

A spokesman Thursday gave no details of the venue of the meeting nor its exact time. He would only say that Lord Carrington had judged it "useful" to have a "private exchange of views" with the French and West German foreign ministers before he flies to Moscow Sunday night for talks with Soviet leaders. Well-informed sources said that the meeting would be held in great secrecy and that there would be no communique issued.

The source said that Lord Carrington's talks in Moscow were expected to focus on the European proposal for a two-stage international conference on Afghanistan. The British diplomat will formally present the proposal, announced at this week's European Economic Community summit, to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko Monday. Lord Carrington's Moscow trip was billed as a "working visit" and was arranged at the

invitation of Gromyko. The ten European leaders at the EEC summit proposed Tuesday that a conference on Afghanistan be held as soon as possible, perhaps, in October or November and that it be held in two stages.

The first stage would be devoted to ways of putting an end to all external intervention in Afghanistan and would involve the permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, Pakistan, Iran, India and the secretary general of the U.N. and the Organization of Islamic Conference or their representatives. The second stage would involve all those who took part in the first plus the "representatives of the Afghan people."

In Moscow, Lord Carrington will attempt to persuade Gromyko that the European initiative is "reasonable" and corresponds to the expressed Soviet desire for an international settlement to the Afghan crisis, an authoritative source said. British officials here were cautiously optimistic about Carrington's chances for success in Moscow. The officials said they did not expect that the U.S.S.R. would immediately approve the European plan, but that Carrington's visit could launch serious discussions.

In Strasbourg, the 21-nation Council of Europe Thursday gave its backing to the EEC initiative on Afghanistan. The Strasbourg-based Organization which groups all West European states except Finland, also called for the establishment of conditions enabling the Afghan people to choose their future without outside interference or pressure.

According to a communique, the council's ministerial committee meeting under Swiss Chairman Pierre Aubert described the EEC initiative as a realistic effort to bring about a peaceful and negotiated solution to the problem of Afghanistan. At their Luxembourg summit this week, the 10 Common Market leaders agreed to British proposals for a two-stage international conference on Afghanistan. The council of Europe is also to look into the plight of Afghan refugees in Pakistan.

In Kabul, the Afghanistan government Thursday announced the release of 117 political prisoners. The official Kabul radio said in a broadcast monitored here that the detainees were freed from Kandahar prison.

Moscow plans raising PLO's representation

BEIRUT, July 3 (R) — The Soviet Union is contemplating raising the diplomatic status of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in Moscow to ambassadorial level, the Palestine News Agency Wafa has reported.

The agency, in a report on a visit to Moscow this week by Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO's political department, said its political editor had learned that the Kremlin was studying this possibility. At present, the PLO maintains an office in the Soviet Union, as in many other countries. This is headed by what is termed as representative, currently Muhammad Sbaer.

World talks on Israeli bombing open July 13

PARIS, July 3 (AFP) — A three-day international conference on the Israeli bombing of Iraq's nuclear research center at Tammuz Juce 7 is to open July 13 in Baghdad, the Iraqi INA Press Agency has said in a report monitored here.

Naim Hadda, a member of the Iraqi Baath National Command, said Thursday the conference would examine the "Israeli aggression as a flagrant violation of laws and international practices as well as of the United Nations Charter, and as a dangerous precedent," according to the report.

Hostages pact upheld by U.S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, July 3 (R) — The Supreme Court has upheld the validity of the agreement between the United States and Iran which led to the release of the 52 American hostages.

In a unanimous opinion, the court said Thursday former President Carter was empowered to prevent American companies from pursuing claims against Iran in U.S. courts and to agree to have an international tribunal settle those disputes.

The decision means the U.S. government will move this month to transfer more than \$2 billion in Iranian assets remaining in the United States which were frozen by Carter Nov. 14, 1979, 10 days after the hostages were seized at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. The hostages were released last Jan. 20.

The court said that the frozen assets "serve as a bargaining chip" to be used by the president when dealing with a hostile country. Under the agreement, all but \$1 billion of the funds must be transferred to Iran by July 19.

The \$1 billion will be used by an international tribunal to consider and pay the claims of U.S. companies against Iran. The agreement provides that Iran must replenish the fund whenever it falls below \$500 million.

The nine-member international tribunal, which is to meet in The Hague, consists of three Americans, three Iranians, two representatives from Sweden and one from France. To secure the release of the hostages, President Carter agreed to nullify an estimated 450 private suits for claims against Iran.

President Reagan said he would abide by the agreement which was struck just hours before he took office Jan. 20 and lawyers for both the justice department and the Iranian government argued before the court in favor of the agreement last month. Many U.S. companies challenged the agreement, arguing that Carter did not have the power to prevent them from suing in U.S. courts.

The companies wanted their claims to be heard by American judges and wanted the frozen Iranian funds to remain in the United States to pay their claims.

Meanwhile, in Los Angeles, eight of the former U.S. hostages in Iran filed a \$40 million damage suit Thursday against the governments of Iran and the United States. Their lawyer James Davis, who had filed an earlier damage suit on behalf of Marine Sgt. John McKeel, said he is seeking a ruling on whether the U.S. government and the president have the right to waive the hostages' right to sue for damages. That waiver was part of the agreement for the hostages' release.

Davis and one of the eight former hostages, retired Army Col. Charles W. Scott, also told a news conference outside the federal courthouse that they hoped to win and thus discourage future terrorist acts.

Zia firm in saddle, starts 5th year tomorrow

ISLAMABAD, July 3 (R) — Pakistani President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq begins his fifth year in power Sunday with few signs of a serious challenge to his authority.

Some Western diplomats even believe the president's grip on the country is stronger now than when he took power four years ago. At that time, President Zia promised not to outstay his welcome and to hold power for only 90 days before returning the country to civilian rule. Instead, he has become Pakistan's longest serving military ruler, outlasting the martial law authorities who governed the country from October 1978 to June 1982 and again from 1982 to 1977.

In a television speech last week, Zia said he would step down only when Allah decided it was time for him to go and when there was an Islamic system of government to rule the country's 80 million Muslim population.

Pakistan's international standing has risen since July 5, 1977, when President Zia toppled former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, who was executed. The rise was helped by the Soviet intervention in neighboring Afghanistan 18 months ago and Pakistan's voice now is heard with attention in the forums of the Islamic nations and the nonaligned movement. It also commands a sympathetic hearing in Washington and Western Europe.

The turnaround in Pakistan's international fortunes was highlighted last month by an agreement with Washington for a \$3 billion military and economic package. West European nations recently agreed to reschedule Pakistan's development loan debts and the

after the hijacking of a Pakistan airliner to Kabul and subsequently to Damascus. A group led by a son of Bhutto claimed responsibility. In the crackdown many leaders of the executed prime minister's Pakistan People's Party (P.P.P.) were arrested, including his wife and eldest daughter.

The Pakistan government says there are no political prisoners in its jails even though Western diplomats estimate the number at between 1,500 and 2,000. But, the diplomats said several dozen prisoners had been released recently, partly as a gesture to mark Ramadan, and partly to demonstrate President Zia's confidence in the security of his position.

A veteran newspaper editor in Karachi, Pakistan's largest city, said the authorities needed to be cautious in considering any relaxation of press control or lifting the blanket ban on political and trade union activity. "The president is riding a tiger now, but if he gets down too soon, the situation could be worse," the editor said.

Western diplomats said President Zia appeared to have the grudging backing of most of the country's business leaders, large landholders and top bureaucrats because of his achievements and also because there seemed to be no alternative among the opposition. He had stabilized Pakistan's balance of payments position, dramatically increased agricultural production, kept inflation manageable at about 15 percent and struck a responsive chord in the countryside with his moves to create a stricter Islamic society.



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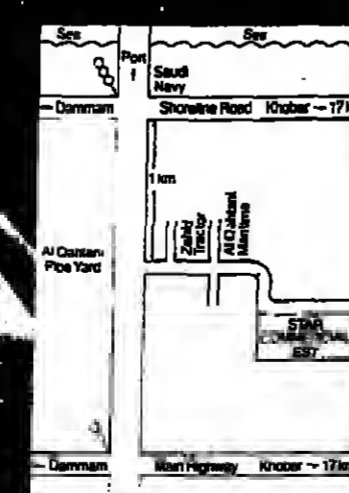
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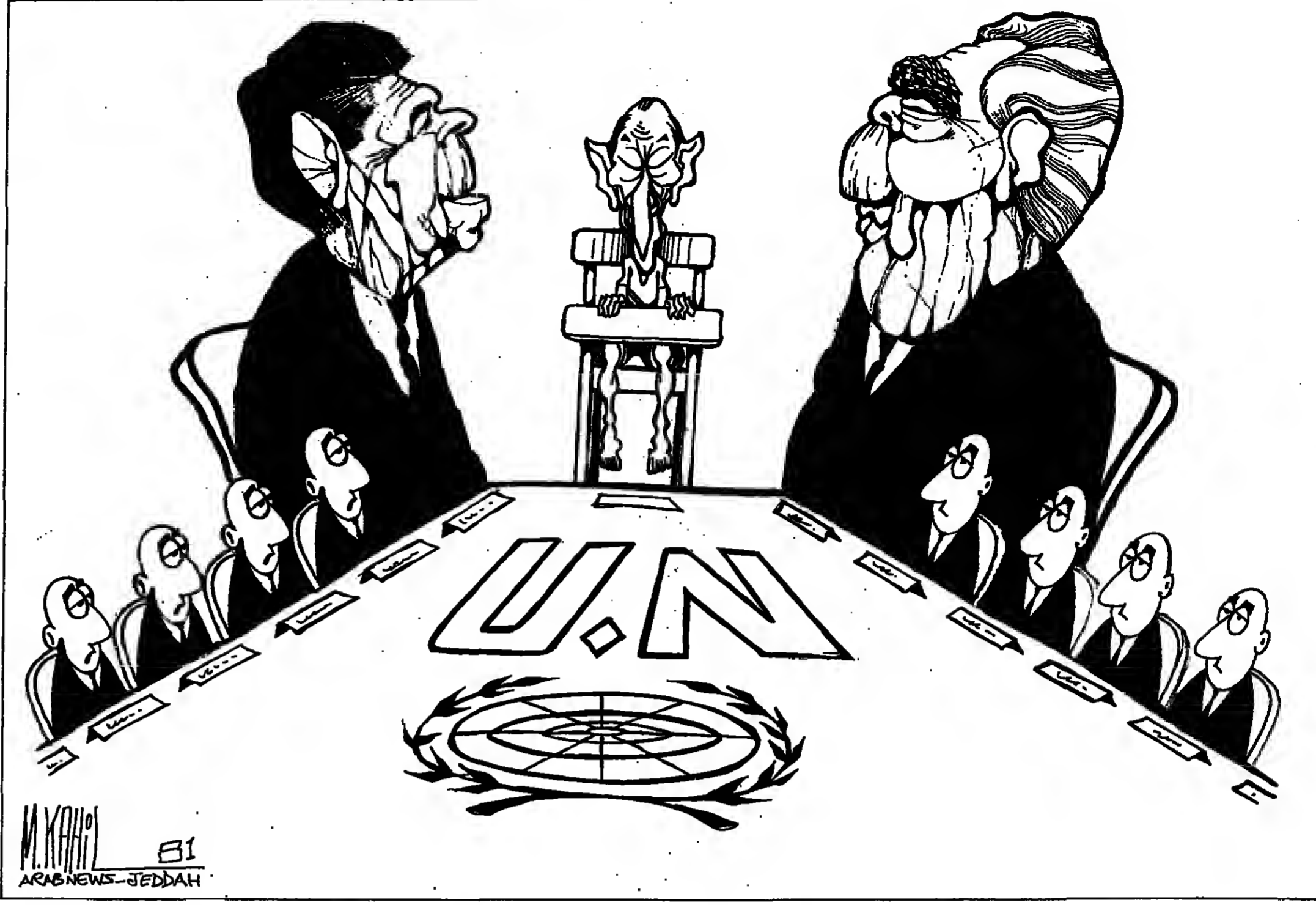
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Honduras prepares for war against Nicaragua

By Christopher Dickey

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras — With British tanks, French jets, American helicopters and an expected doubling of U.S. military assistance, Honduras is preparing for war against the 23-month-old leftist revolutionary government of neighboring Nicaragua. Officially, both sides say they hope to avoid a fight and to improve relations. A war between them could spread through this volatile area like fire in a bomb factory, possibly involving Cuba as well as the United States.

But Honduras' present military rulers are beset by deep divisions as November elections for the first civilian government in more than a decade approach and economic problems worsen. In addition, a small group of militant commanders who might regard war — or the very near presence of it — as beneficial to their own interests and those of the nation is steadily consolidating its power, according to well-informed army and political sources.

Conservative governments throughout the region regard Nicaragua as a threat to regional security. Many Honduran commanders, in particular, see the existence of the Sandinista government as intolerable and believe it must be eradicated. Add to this provocations and plots by anti-Sandinista Nicaraguan exiles operating out of Honduras, and the often defensive belligerence of the Sandinistas themselves, and there are the makings of a major conflict.

The vital question of how the United States would regard such a venture, however, is unresolved. As one well-informed Honduran colonel put it, "We are not going to do anything that is not supported by the United States." The U.S. Embassy here would not comment on Washington's position with respect to such a war and diplomats said privately that the Reagan administration has not yet taken a firm stand on the question.

Gen. Vernon Walters, the former deputy CIA director now acting as special troubleshooter for Secretary of State Alexander Haig Jr., visited Honduras last month to discuss the current situation as well as Honduran requests for arms supplies above those the Reagan administration is currently contemplating, according to informed sources.

Meanwhile, tensions are steadily growing on the Nicaraguan-Honduran border, which stretches all the way across the Central American isthmus. In mid-April, Honduran President Gen. Policarpo Paz Garcia issued an internal memorandum to the

Honduran army saying that it should be ready to defend the homeland from Nicaraguan aggression, according to Western diplomatic and Honduran military sources.

After a 40-minute confrontation between Honduran and Nicaraguan troops at the border outpost of Guasaule near the Gulf of Fonseca in April, Honduras placed its troops on alert, closed the border to commerce between the two countries (already the subject of a tariff dispute) and started beating the drums of war in the local press. Headlines in Tegucigalpa that day proclaimed that "Honduras is ready to defend its national integrity." The Honduran army has not yet fully mobilized, but, according to military officials, it would require only 72 hours to move enough troops for an invasion to the border with Nicaragua.

Relations between Honduras and Nicaragua are complicated by the presence of exile groups in Honduras that include members of the Nicaraguan National Guard, the defeated force of the former dictatorship of Anastasio Somoza who fled following his overthrow in 1979. These groups regularly cross from Honduras into Nicaragua to stage small-scale attacks on Nicaraguan farms and occasionally the army of the Sandinistas. On several occasions the Sandinistas are alleged to have pursued these "counterrevolutionaries" back into Honduran territory, according to diplomatic and Honduran government sources.

Some of these anti-Sandinista groups are little more than roving bandits, but others are part of well-organized clandestine armies that claim they have extensive support within Nicaragua. Members of these organizations apparently are attempting to exacerbate frictions between Honduras and Nicaragua. In one recent incident, according to a Latin diplomat, a band of perhaps a dozen men fired several shots at both the Honduran and Nicaraguan border posts near Guasaule in what seemed an effort to spark a larger confrontation.

Several influential members of the Honduran army, including Leonidas Torres Arias, chief of military intelligence, are alleged by their fellow officers to have or to have had close ties to Somoza and his family.

One scenario for a Nicaraguan-Honduran war discussed by ranking Honduran officials would wait for the already serious economic difficulties faced by the Sandinistas to grow worse. If, as is expected, Nicaragua experiences major food shortages during the summer and early fall, then widespread riots and discontent with the Sandinista government could be expected. In such a case the counter-

revolutionary Nicaraguans could begin to make major initiatives and Honduras could support them logistically, and possibly tactically with air power, while avoiding a direct invasion that might help consolidate the Sandinista regime around nationalist sentiments.

A direct Honduran invasion of Nicaragua remains a distinct possibility, however, as Honduran military men have come to believe that Nicaragua presents a threat to all of Central America. "The new center of subversion is not Cuba," said one Honduran officer, "it is Nicaragua."

On a public level, both Nicaragua and Honduras are trying to defuse the conflict. Although the Sandinistas frequently have denounced the actions of exiles working out of Honduras and suggested that the Honduran military may be aiding them, at the same time they have attempted to soothe their northern neighbor with assurances that the Sandinista armed forces are strictly defensive. They also have made such gestures as the recent repayment of \$3.5 million in debts to Honduras.

For their part, the Hondurans dispersed a few months ago several refugee camps used as bases by Nicaraguan ex-guardsmen. At present, according to Honduran Vice-Minister of the Interior Jose Angel Lara, there are only about 3,000 Nicaraguan exiles scattered around Honduras. Another 3,000 have left the area, Lara said. "As far as we are concerned Nicaragua ought to have its own life," said Lara. "Right now relations are good and we are trying to make them better." Border incidents, he suggested, are always common after a revolution such as Nicaragua's.

But the official position of Honduras has little to do with the internal political realities of the situation here. The U.S.-promoted elections scheduled for November would do away with the current military government. Paz Garcia has openly supported the electoral process. But Paz Garcia is the first among several equals in the Honduran military-governmental system.

The de-facto government of Honduras is in the hands of seven senior officers: Gustavo Alvarez, chief of the public security forces; Hubert Bodden, commander of an infantry battalion near the capital; Ruben Humberto Montoya, chief of the Honduran marines; Leonidas Torres Arias of military intelligence; Rigoberto Regalado Lara, commander on the Salvadoran border; Walter Lopez, head of the air force; and Daniel Badi Castillo, commander of a battalion in Choluteca that has responsibility for the border around Guasaule. (WF)

Migrant labor a dilemma for S.Africa states

By Stephen Taylor

SALISBURY — An embryonic labor movement representing seven southern African states and three African nationalist organizations met in Salisbury recently to devise ways of reducing the number of their nationals working in South Africa. The migrant labor system, by which South Africa recruits laborers from its black neighbors to fuel its booming economy, poses the black states an uncomfortable dilemma.

While the living conditions and restrictions on migrant laborers — mainly miners — are vociferously denounced north of the Limpopo, a number of these states are dependent on the earnings sent home in foreign currency by their nationals and would find it impossible to provide jobs for the workers should they return home. The meeting was held against a background of rising tension in the region, with South Africa in buoyant economic shape and determined to impress on its neighbors their dependence on it.

The Southern Africa Labor Commission, which held its second meeting here, represents an attempt by the black states to coordinate their negotiations with South Africa on labor at a time when they have no alternative but to accept unpleasant realities. Delegates attended from Botswana, Malawi, Mozambique, Lesotho, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe and for the first time there were representatives from the African National Congress (ANC) and the Pan African Congress (PAC) — both South African nationalist movements — as well as SWAPO.

There are about a quarter of a million migrants from the seven countries working in South Africa, about 180,000 of whom are employed in the mines. Lesotho, which is set within South Africa, has by far the largest contingent with about 96,000. In addition to the foreigners, there are about 3.6 million indigenous migrant workers in South Africa, the majority from the Bantustans.

Zimbabwe has already had some experience coping with a loss of earnings from South Africa as the problems of a returning labor force. Kumbe Kangai, the labor minister, told the commission until a few years ago there were more than 30,000 blacks from this country working in South Africa but that the number had now been reduced to about 4,700.

In spite of the biting anti-South African rhetoric from ANC and SWAPO representatives, the meeting concentrated on realities. For countries such as Lesotho, Mozambique and Botswana, which are heavily dependent on the funds remitted from South Africa, there are no short-term or easy answers. It was agreed that individual states will adopt a common stance in negotiations with South Africa, attempt to obtain uniform payment for workers and seek from the South Africa mining houses increased payments in the form of provident funds to be paid in the laborers' home states. In addition funds will be sought to establish a permanent settlement fund. (ONS)

Letter to the editor

Thanks for following the Suzuki problem, Sunday 24, Monday and Tuesday after.
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BEGIN'S WAR HYSTERIA

American envoy Philip Habib is, after all, coming back to the area today. He had previously let it be known that, for at least this week, his services are not urgently needed. And this was a chance Israeli Premier Menahem Begin could not miss, as he continued with his noisy threats against Syria, Lebanon, the Palestinians, and anyone who might think to cross Israel's natural right to bomb and strafe wherever and whenever it wishes.

Noisiest of these threats came as Begin told the world that Israel was capable of "taking out" Syria's missiles in the Bekaa Valley in "two hours." The modesty this betrayed shocked everyone: Two long hours! Not ten minutes or twenty or half an hour, but two full hours. No wonder he has not yet given the green light to his air force. Such an extensive operation needs a lot of thinking beforehand.

Such bragging betrays Begin's ultimate motive in engineering the crisis. For a war might or might not take place, and in whatever eventuality, the warmongering noises will do nothing to either cause a war or avoid it. Begin however insists on making them because he can see the electoral advantage they bring. The last opinion poll gave his party a definite edge over Labor for the first time — so the war hysteria has to be cultivated because it might help Begin to return to power.

The fact of the case, however, is quite clear and quite other than what can be gathered from Begin's ravings, and of those who, each time the word "Israel's security" is mentioned start foaming at the mouth and baying for blood. The Syrian SAM batteries are nothing but a defensive weapon: They are of use to Syria only if it was attacked by Israel. And that is something all the other parties to the crisis have to keep very clearly in mind.

Saudi Arabian Press Review

A majority of newspapers Wednesday led with the Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference in Baghdad and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal's reiteration that the usurped cannot be restored with tears but with persistent struggle. They also gave prominence to his statement in which he said that the Islamic world has denounced Libyan leader Qaddafi's fabrications and "we shall not fall a party into fresh vituperations" by the Libyan leader. In a lead story, *Al-Riyadh* reported that Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan will preside over a function Wednesday, marking the graduation of 300 cadets from the industrial training center of the armaments factory in Al-Kharj. *Okaz* led with Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam's meeting with Crown Prince Fahd Tuesday.

In a front-page story, the newspapers reported that King Khalid has received messages from President Mitterrand of France and President Assad of Syria. They also frontpaged talks between Interior Minister Prince Naif and his Moroccan counterpart Idris Al-Bassi in Rabat, during which they discussed ways of strengthening bilateral relations. Newspapers gave front-page highlight to fresh bousing contracts worth about SR 5 billion which Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and head of the National Guard, signed Wednesday.

Another front-page story said that Saudi Arabia has donated \$100 million to help the peoples of the African coast, while *Al-Jazirah* gave page one prominence to a statement by Austrian Chancellor

Bruno Kreisky, in which he said that the European states will recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

Al-Medina devoted its editorial to commenting on the Libyan delegate's anti-Saudi Arabian remarks at the Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference in Baghdad. The paper expressed no wonder at the Libyan vituperations as "it has become a popular role of the Libyan representatives at every Arab and Islamic gathering." The state of degeneration to which the Libyan regime has reached is unparalleled in history, said the paper, adding that the words and deeds of Col. Qaddafi are a setback to the Libyan people as well as the Arab and Islamic nation. The paper regretted Qaddafi's belittling remarks on the Holy Quran and the Prophet Muhammad and said that one should not be surprised over his slanderous remarks against Saudi Arabia. The paper hoped that Qaddafi and others like him will get the punishment and the people of Libya will be rescued from the nightmarish life which has been imposed on them by the Masonic and Communist forces.

Al-Bilad dealt with the Lebanese situation and the Kingdom's stance in support of the people of Lebanon. It referred to Crown Prince Fahd's statement in last Monday's meeting of the Council of Ministers and endorsed his views that the Kingdom's role in containing the crisis in Lebanon emanates from a deep sense of responsibility toward boosting unity and solidarity among the Arabs. The paper reasserted that, with all its political power,

Saudi Arabia will continue to defend the causes of Arabs and Muslims everywhere in the world.

In an editorial, *Al-Nadwa* commented on Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri's call of last week for the realization of Arab solidarity through an Arab summit conference including Egypt. The paper asked the Sudanese leader to say whether there is any likelihood of Egyptian President Sadat's backing out of all his pledges to Israel. A return to Arab solidarity under the present circumstances will not do justice to solidarity itself, as the whole Arab nation unanimously believes that there exists a difference of opinion between Sadat and the people of Egypt, said the paper. It expected President Numeiri to use all his foresight in trying to convince those who deviated from Arab unanimity to join Arab ranks and fortify Arab unity and solidarity.

Shocked over the assassination of PLO representative in Brussels Naim Khidir, *Al-Jazirah*, conceded that although the world community has tried hard to put an end to Israel's terroristic activities, it regretted that the world has so far failed to take any deterrent measure against the Zionist enemy. The paper said that Israel has always proved to be an evil power in the world, has assaulted the rights of others, and jeopardized the peace and stability of peoples of the world. Therefore, it exhorted the world community not to ignore its moral and legal responsibility toward the people of Palestine who are suffering the ugliest kinds of crimes at the hands of the Zionists inside occupied Palestine.



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JEDDAH
By Staff Writers

Arab News Diary

PRINCESS LATIFA, wife of Sheikh Abdul Aziz Thunayyan, undersecretary at the ministry of foreign affairs, hosted a dinner at her home last Wednesday. Present were Princess Mihal and Princess Lubna, the two sisters of the hostess; wives of the ambassadors, wives of Saudi Arabian foreign office officials and other ladies. Princess Latifa's guests enjoyed the outdoor seating arrangement and a sumptuous meal in a relaxed atmosphere of cordiality and traditional Saudi Arabian hospitality. This is a yearly function that is looked forward with happy anticipation.

PRINCE MAJED, governor of Makkah, lowered the Danish flag and hoisted the Saudi Arabian flag on the largest livestock carrier at a ceremony Saturday evening. The Danish vessel, with the capacity to carry 40,000 heads of sheep will run between the Kingdom and Australia. Also present at the occasion were *Franz B. Hewit*, the ambassador of Denmark, and senior Saudi Arabian officials. A dinner to round up the evening had among other tasty dishes a whole sheep stuffed with rice.

THE FIRST BATCH OF Saudi Arabian foreign service wives completed the course of English language, diplomacy and culture and were awarded diplomas Thursday at the King Abdul Aziz University. The course was jointly organized by the university and the Center of Diplomatic Studies of the Foreign Ministry to train them in the field of protocol and to give them a better understanding of their own culture and traditional heritage.

CATHAY PACIFIC sponsored a two-day tennis match Thursday with the pros struggling with four feet long jumbo rackets to inaugurate the championship matches.

FAMOUS PAKISTANI singer *Mehdi Hassan* will give a performance at the Hyatt Regency on June 4, 5 and 8 at 9:00 p.m. and on June 11 and 12 at the Pakistan Embassy at 8:30 p.m. Entrance fee at the Hyatt Regency is SR100 that includes refreshments and at the embassy SR50. Children are not admitted. This program is sponsored by the finance committee set up by the Pakistan Embassy for the school

building fund. All proceeds will go to the Pakistan Embassy School. For further details, call *Feroz* on Tel. 6513851 and 6518748.

CANADIAN AMBASSADOR, *Jacques S. Roy*, gave a reception Saturday evening to say farewell to *David McCracken* and *George Jacoby*. David McCracken served at the Canadian Embassy as the minister counselor (commercial) and George Jacoby was the first secretary.

NACI AKINCI of the Turkish Embassy gave a farewell reception Sunday evening in honor of *Henri Zipper* of the French Embassy. The Zippers will leave Jeddah at the end of June for a short vacation in Paris before going to Algeria — Henri's new assignment. A farewell party for *Bob Wilcox* was hosted by *Pierrebondard* at the Hyatt Regency Sunday evening.

SPANISH GOLDEN FIESTA will continue at the Hyatt Regency until June 8. Spanish food, both at lunch and dinner hours, painting and handicraft exhibition are some of the attractions.

THURSDAY is the last day to feast your eyes on *Khalid Khalid's* Jeddah and *Ansul Adam's* American West photographs at the *Redec Plaza Gallery*. Open to all from 10:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. and from 5:00 — 10:00 p.m.

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RIYADH
A **FOOD FESTIVAL** from the *Red Sea Palace* of Jeddah will be held between June 20 to June 28 at *Al Khozama Hotel* in Riyadh, and from 8 to 17 June at *Al Jubail International Hotel*. Two chefs, the depar-

try and the regular chef, will be coming to prepare a selection of international dishes for dinner at the *Windrose Restaurant* in Al Khozama and at the International Hotel.

THE THIRD ANNUAL SAUDI ARABIAN food and cultural exhibition is on from June 3 at the *Intercontinental Hotel* for 10 days. On display are Saudi Arabian antiquities, by *Abdullah Hasan*, and 70 paintings of *Abdullah Al Chatti* covering several aspects of Saudi Arabia. There is Arab music and famous dances like the *Arba*, *Samara*, *Ooudh* and Saudi Arabian food consisting of exotic dishes like *Jarish*, *Gurfam*, *Marjuk* to name a few. Dinner is at the recreation center around the pool from 8-11 p.m. The exhibition can also be seen at the same time. The festival has been organized with the assistance of the ministry of information and the ministry of education (youth welfare administration).

U.S. BUSINESSMEN'S lunch is being held on June 7 at the *Intercontinental Hotel*. The guest speaker will be the minister of commerce, *Dr. Sulaiman Al Salim*.

THE MEDINAT AL-JUBAIL AL SANIYA exhibition, being held at the *Riyadh Palace Hotel*, has been extended up to 6th of June. There are models, pictures and drawings showing the development and progress of Jubail industrial city until the present one and a film in Arabic and English called *The Land of Hope*. The exhibition is sponsored by the Royal Commission of Jubail and Yanbu project. The visiting hours are from 9-12 in the morning and 5-8 in the evening.

THE FIRST RACE OF THE month of June for the Riyadh Road Runners is Friday at 6:00 a.m. The location will be north of *Sulbmaniya* and they will be running 3, 5 and 10 k.m. races.

MARRIOTT KHURAIs has a new bowling center. Care to join: A bowling league will be formed in the beginning of June and any company with five or more players may join. For details call *Scott Barclay* or *Abe Tudla* on 4912244 extension 320 or 581.

Eastern province

FIREWORKS LIT UP the Khobar skyline last Thursday night, May 28, as several hundred guests celebrated the official opening of the new *Meridian Hotel*. Hosting the celebration in the hotel's banquet area was general manager of the Meridian, *Peter Bruan*, and the food and beverage manager *Bernad Greiner*. Chairman of the board of Meridian Hotels, *Henri Marescot*, flew in for the occasion. Also present were the Prince of Al Hasa, as well as *Sheikh Mansour Ibn Jumah*, and *Nasser Al Sherif*, general manager for the hotel's owning company, the *Mansour Ibo Jumah Corporation*.

47 MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY of Petroleum Engineers are off this weekend to Dubai, to attend a joint SPE meeting there. In addition to work-study sessions, there will be a filed trip Friday afternoon for 20 people to visit DPC facilities offshore Dubai.

TOASTMASTERS, the international speaking organization, meets weekly Monday at 7:30 in the east lounge at Abqaiq Aramco facility. This is the group's first year at Abqaiq. *Herb Nelson* and *Don Falconer*, charter members of the Dhahran Chapter, helped get it started. It gives members a chance to conquer butterflies in the stomach and other symptoms of stagefright as they face audiences with both prepared and extemporaneous speeches.

THURSDAY (TODAY) IS THE last chance to see *Pat Oertley's* exhibit of paintings entitled "Facades: Portraits of houses in Eastern Arabia." The gallery located on 28th and Prince Saad streets, Al Khobar, is open from 9-1 and 4-7 p.m.

PAKISTANI NATIONALS in the area have a chance to meet their consular officials this week. They arrived Tuesday and will be working at the office of Saudi Future for Travel and Tourism on King Khalid Street, Khobar, Thursday and Friday.

THE UPM DIVING championships are on Thursday, and fans of the high board can see the 3-meter springboard dives at 2 p.m. The championship concludes with the awards presentation at 4 p.m. at the building 11, swimming pool.

The light and dark side of Kampuchea

By Brian Eads
PHNOM PENH, (ONS) — A man being shaved in a roadside barber's chair was killed when a lorry careered over the pavement, and crushed him to death. The barber leapt clear. A road accident in Phnom Penh represents another step toward "normal" urban life.

There are jollier vignettes. The handbell clanging through the streets is not a summons to bring out your dead (as it might have been 18 months ago), it is an invitation to buy a frozen drink or a stick — a delicious alchemy of condensed milk and coconut. In the early morning rush hour cycles, mopeds, bicycles, official cars and lorries, and the six decrepit public buses ignore a giggling policeman prowling on a small podium at the intersection of two broad, tree shaded boulevards and proceed with a good-humored anarchy.

Down the road at Wat Phnom, perched on the small hill from which the city derives its name, more people gathered to celebrate the Khmer New Year than inhabited all of Phnom Penh and its suburbs during the Pol Pot years. Around the hill vendors sold freshly squeezed sugar cane juice, noodle soup, pate on French bread, and a colorful array of sticky sweet delicacies from their mobile stalls.

Here and there fortune tellers squatted with their arcane accoutrements spread before them — a dried pack of cards, wheel of life, a bunch of plastic flowers. For those with cash trade with Thailand and Vietnam keeps the markets overflowing with consumer goods, machine parts, household articles, clothes, medicines, tobacco and cosmetics. There are book stalls selling whatever could be salvaged — from Japanese fashion magazines to sheet music of Mozart's nocturnes.

The lush Kampuchean countryside provides abundant fish, meat, fruits, vegetables and rice. There are dentists who will pull your molars, restaurants offering pastries for tea, Chinese and Khmer banquets for dinner. Lurking around the old Royal Palace are sharply dressed young men who will provide

you with an instant Polaroid snap.

"Normality" has a darker side. Despite the efforts of more than two years, and the work of international organizations such as Oxfam, none of the city's basic infrastructure functions normally. Many people do not have access to clean water. At the showpiece 17 April Hospital they have no water at all; it must be taken in by lorry daily. Most have no electricity. The streets are lined with fetid piles of rubbish, the sewage system scarcely functions, the rat and fly populations are booming.

Were it not that only the fittest survived Pol Pot, epidemics of cholera, bubonic typhoid and gastro-intestinal disease would already be raging. As it is tuberculosis and malaria are rife. The city once again acts as a magnet to the desperate of the country. Beggars in rage hover outside restaurants, hundreds of children sleep on the streets.

Violent crime has become a daily reality, and the government recently began to execute notorious offenders. Senior government officials confirm that many members of the police bought their way into the force for the opportunities of corruption and harassment. Low wages, fierce inflation, and the tumbling value of the riel have encouraged corruption among the bureaucracy. Some foreign aid workers believe it reaches to the highest levels of the regime. If ministers were jailed for corruption, they'd all be in jail," said one. Others say it is low level stuff, and that goods reach the people anyway.

It is already possible to identify the beginnings of the exploitative relations between city and countryside that furnished the base for Pol Pot's revolution. "It will not happen. We have a plan" said three ranking officials. They have an impressive array of plans. To care for the street children and the beggars, to provide clean water and sanitation, to find gainful employment for tens of thousands of unemployed, to ensure that the ethnic Chinese do not again monopolize free market trade.

Soviet way of controlling dissidents

By Robert Gillette

MOSCOW, (LAT) — In contradiction of official denials that the Soviet Union uses psychiatry to control political deviation, a leading Moscow psychiatrist has disclosed evidence that ordinary Soviet citizens are routinely hospitalized for psychiatric treatment after making what the authorities consider to be "groundless complaints" and "slandorous statements" to agencies of the state.

The acknowledgement of the practice appeared in a scientific paper prepared by Dr. Zoya N. Serebryakova and five other doctors for a major psychiatric congress held in Moscow last week. Both foreign and unofficial Soviet sources said the article was unusual for its openness. Dr. Serebryakova is chief neuropathologist of the Soviet ministry of health.

In her paper, a copy of which was obtained by the *Los Angeles Times*, Dr. Serebryakova said that about one in 100, or 1.2 percent of a group of patients admitted to an unidentified Moscow psychiatric hospital during a one-year period, were hospitalized "in connection with visits to state offices for presentation of groundless complaints and slanderous statements."

She implied, but did not explicitly say, that these patients submitted voluntarily to psychiatric treatment. There was no explanation in her paper of why someone would walk into a government or Communist Party office to voice complaints and criticism then, without force or persuasion, seek psychiatric help.

The Soviet Union has long been criticized in the West for suppressing political dissidents by locking them up in psychiatric institutions and subjecting them to debilitating drugs. Soviet officials have steadfastly maintained, against considerable evidence to the contrary, that such criticism is unfounded and slanderous — and that the dissidents in question displayed subtle signs of schizophrenia.

In one of the most recent incidents reported in the West, Soviet authorities last January arrested Alexi Nikitin, a coal-gas engineer who had led worker protests in the Ukraine, shortly after he met with American reporters. Dissident sources said that Nikitin was sent to the psychiatric hospital for the insane in Dnepropetrovsk. One month later, security authorities arrested Anatoly Koryagin, a psychiatrist who has pronounced Nikitin "perfectly sane." According to dissident sources, Koryagin is to be tried next week. The Ukrainian city of Kharkov on charges of anti-Soviet agitation.

What is unusual about Serebryakova's paper is its frank indication that Soviet authorities — far from singling out prominent dissidents — routinely consider complaints addressed to the state as legitimate potential grounds for psychiatric treatment if the complaints cross an apparently strict but ill-defined line property.

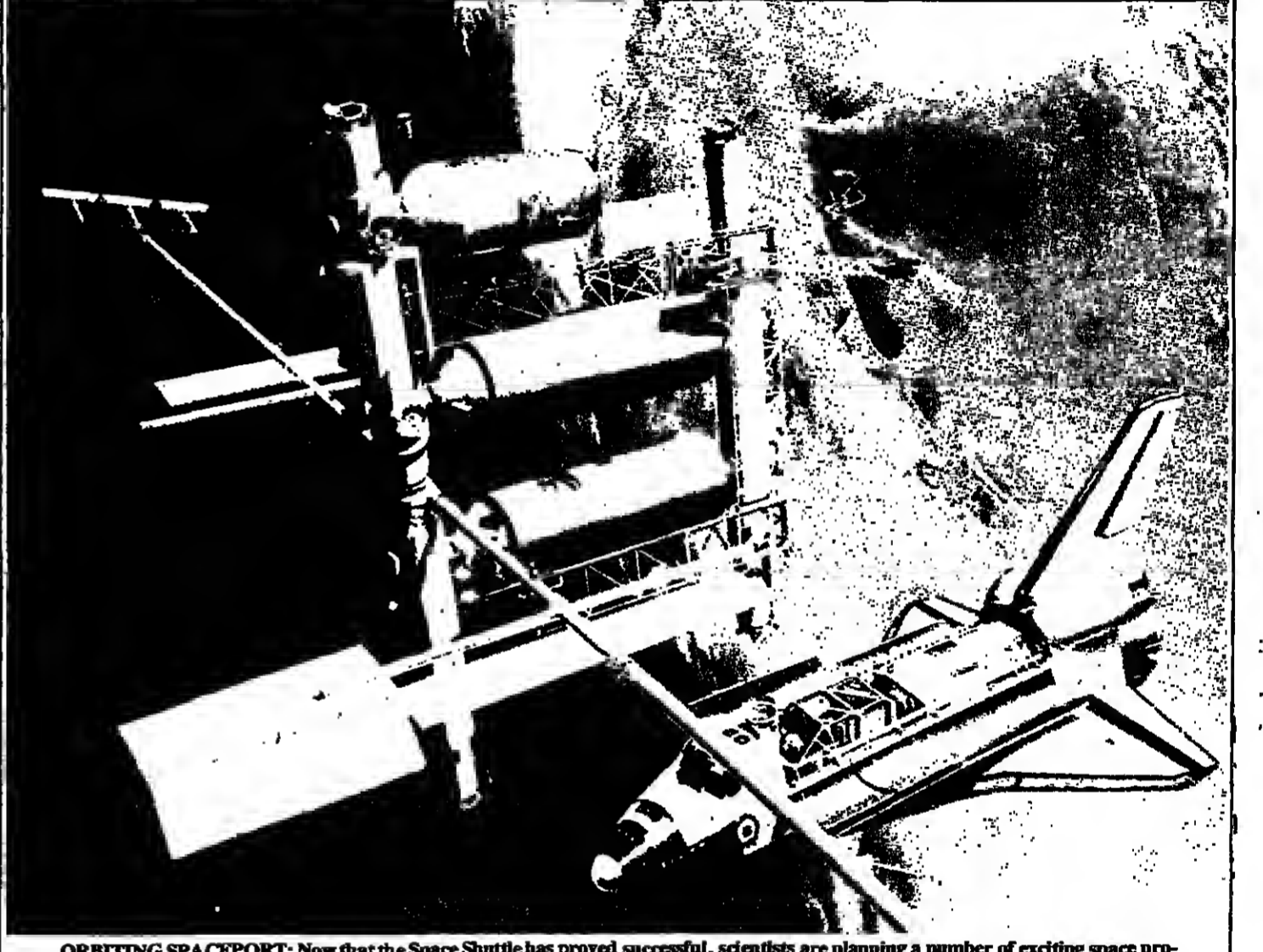
The 4-page, printed text appears in a limited-edition volume of papers published in Russian mainly for use by about 1,700 delegates to the seventh all-union congress of Soviet neuropathologist and psychiatrists, a 5-day meeting in Moscow that ended Saturday. The meeting's organizing committee included senior officials of the V.P. Serbsky Institute of Forensic Psychiatry, a research and treatment center in Moscow that has played a prominent role in diagnosing dissidents as schizophrenic.

According to unofficial Soviet sources, both the security police and the KGB, the Soviet secret police agency, seat five-member delegations to the psychiatric congress. The sources also said that Serebryakova heads the Serbsky institute's department of psychiatric law. Serebryakova's paper dealt mainly with ways of encouraging people who oosed psychiatric help to seek it voluntarily. Her report was based on a study of an unspecified number of people selected from a group of 817 patients at a Moscow psychiatric hospital. About half were said to have been hospitalized by force, and the rest under persuasion by doctors and relatives or on the patient's own volition.

According to the paper, the patients who were studied were "mostly" volunteer admissions — those who "voluntarily expressed a desire to undergo treatment." Such patients constituted about one-third of all admissions to the hospital, the paper said. Serebryakova and her colleagues said that 84.7 percent "of this category of patients" — presumably volunteers — came to the hospital because of worsening symptoms of long-term illness, 5.3 percent because of suicidal tendencies, 2.9 percent in connection with threats to others and 1.2 percent entered after making allegedly groundless complaints and slanderous statements about the state.

These figures leave 5.9 percent of the group unaccounted for, suggesting the existence of an undisclosed category of psychiatric patients. Serebryakova's paper gave no figures for the number of patients hospitalized by force or persuasion after voicing complaints or criticism of the state, and indeed it did not explicitly acknowledge that such patients existed. The paper also failed to explain how the authorities distinguished between appropriate and inappropriate complaints.

If Soviet newspapers are any guide, however, criticism of officials above the level of government ministers or suggestions that something is fundamentally wrong with the Soviet system is unacceptable. Publicly at least, Soviet leaders from President Leonid I. Brezhnev on down strongly encourage citizens to "frankly state their views" to Communist Party bodies on the "most pressing issues of public life, work, and everyday life."



ORBITING SPACEPORT: Now that the Space Shuttle has proved successful, scientists are planning a number of exciting space projects for the future. Latest of these is an operation planned by the Boeing Company called "Orbiting Spaceport". The project involves the building in space of an orbiting operational station to act as a type of "base camp." The station situated 200 to 250 miles up (320 to 402 kms) would be used to service satellites and spacecraft. Accommodation for engineers and astronauts together with workshops for repairs, ect. would be provided in the orbital assembly as seen here.

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Martina shocked by Sylvia

PARIS, June 3 (AFP) — West Germany's powerful Sylvia Hanika produced a major surprise at the French Open Tennis Championships here Wednesday when she completed a severe 6-2, 6-4 victory over Czech-born second-seeded Martina Navratilova of the United States to reach the semi-finals of the women's singles.

Hanika's next opponent will be American teenager Andrea Jaeger, 15, the number-three seed.

The match resumed Wednesday morning on the center court at Roland Garros with Navratilova trailing 1-4 in the first set. Meanwhile, in the women's doubles, South Africans Rosalyn Fairbank and Tania Harford scored a shock straight-set victory over No. 1 seeds Kary Jordan and Anne Smith of the United States 6-3, 7-6.

After her victory in the battle of left-handers the 21-year-old Munich-born Hanika, who lives in Haar, said: "That was my first victory over Martina. I was nervous when we restarted but I have been working hard to improve my volleying and it paid dividends."

"Martina didn't play too well. 'I am looking forward to playing Andrea Jaeger in the semi-finals. I have never beaten her before but I have never played her on clay.' 'I have nothing to lose. I just play my game,' she said."

The temperamental Navratilova said simply after her defeat: "She played well and I played lousy." "It is obvious the match should never have been started Tuesday night. It was dark and raining when we went on."

"I think I would have lost anyway but by starting Tuesday night Sylvia had a head start Wednesday."

"I started ok but she was always on top of me and never gave me a chance. 'My timing was atrocious and I overhit a lot. The trouble on clay is that you can hit a hell of a shot but the ball comes back.'"

Tennis exhibition

TOKYO, June 3 (AFP) — The 1980 Wimbledon mixed doubles champions Americans Tracy Austin and her brother John will take on another American pair, no less than American Chris Evert-Lloyd and her husband John Lloyd, in a \$100,000 mixed doubles exhibition in Tokyo on July 12, the organizers announced Wednesday.

The match named the "kagome love duels" will be staged at the Aoyama Gakuin University Memorial Hall. The winning pair will collect \$70,000 and the losers \$30,000.

Carr -- the striker most players dread

WASHINGTON, June 3 (WP) — It was midway through the first half and Girotto Chinaglia, the New York Cosmos' menacing superscorer, was restless, weary of finding the body of Washington Diplomat defender Peter Carr everywhere he turned.

With his back to the net, Chinaglia received a pass and tried to bully through Carr to set up a shot. But the Dip defender, three inches shorter and 20 pounds lighter, held his ground with the help of well-placed elbow.

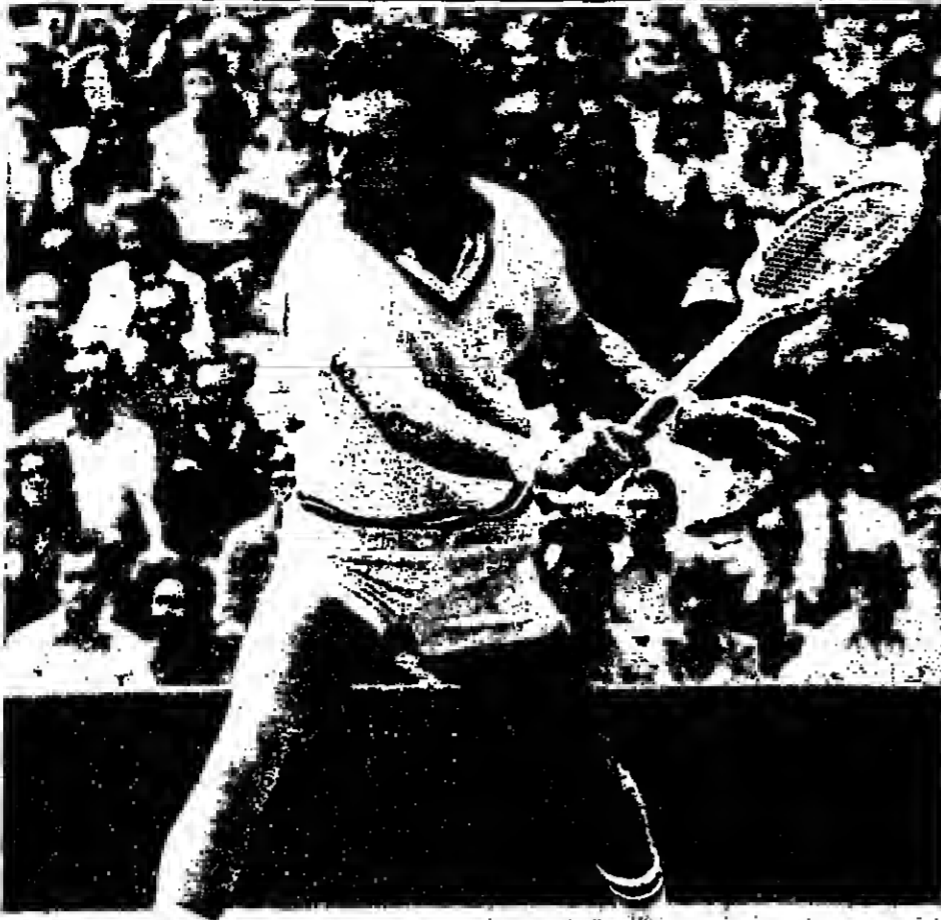
After fumbling the shot, an angered Chinaglia turned to Carr and said something to the effect of, "if you touch me with an elbow again, I'll kill your hui." The next time Chinaglia got the ball, Carr tripped him.

That afternoon in Giants Stadium a few weeks ago, Carr held Chinaglia scoreless for the first time in 14 Cosmos home games.

"That's the best I've ever seen Chinaglia marked by anybody," a Cosmos official said.

The 29-year-old Carr is one of the most intense players in the North American Soccer League. He's not much of a scoring threat but usually draws the opposition's best scorer and does an excellent job. Carr's nickname, "Biff," explains his on-the-field character.

"The nickname originated from a cartoon character who used to go around punching people playfully, or 'hitting' people," Carr



ALL CONCENTRATION: Argentina's Jose Luis Clerc is all concentration as he watches the ball after smashing a return from Connors in the French Open Wednesday. Clerc won the quarterfinal tie 4-6, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5, 6-0.

Cabanas helps Cosmos prevail over Manic

MONTREAL, June 3 (AP) — Forward Roberto Cabanas' second goal of the game with less than three minutes gone in overtime gave New York Cosmos a hard-earned 2-1 victory over Montreal Manic in North American Soccer League action Tuesday night.

Striker Giorgio Chinaglia added two assists for the Cosmos, giving him a league-leading total of 39 points. Forward Gordon Alex Hill scored his sixth goal of the season for the Manic.

Cabanas scored the winner after Chinaglia broke in from the left side and let loose a blistering shot which Montreal goalkeeper Bob Rigby saved. Cabanas unmarked in front of the Montreal goal, converted the rebound giving Rigby no chance.

The victory gave the Eastern Division leaders Cosmos a 10-4 record and 91 points, while the Manic remain in third place in the same division with a 5-7 record and 49 points.

The loss was the second in a row for the Manic.

In another match forward Brian Kidd scored two goals and led the Atlanta Chiefs to a 6-2 triumph over the Toronto Blizzard and into first place in the Southern Division.

The Chiefs now are 7-5 and have 64 points. Lauderdale has 59 points. Atlanta took a 2-1 lead in the first half on by South African Lawrence Chelini, his first, and Paul Child of Great Britain. Kidd added an assist on Chelini's goal.

Kidd put Atlanta ahead 3-1 at 53:25. Britain's David Byrne scored at 57:11, before Kidd added his second goal of the game and eighth of the season at 59:27. Britain's Keith Purphy wound up Atlanta's scoring 67:35.

In Dusseldorf, West Germany won the European under-18 Football Championship with a 1-0 (halftime 0-0) victory over Poland in the final here. The goal was scored by Anthes in the 53rd minute.

Against the Cosmos, with Francois Van Der Elst's shot bounding over goalkeeper Jim Brown into the Diplomat net, Carr hurried two players to clear the ball off the goal line, saving what was then a scoreless tie. He duplicated the move against at Tampa.

Born in Ferry Hill, England, Carr says he never wanted to pursue soccer as a career, but found when he was a teenager that he couldn't make a living as a lion-tamer.

He signed as an apprentice professional with Darlington of the English League when he was 15 years old, and was in all four divisions before playing one season in Scotland's First Division. For three years Carr played with the New England Tea Men (now in Jacksonville) before joining the Dips just before the start of the season.

"I've grown to like the NASL," he said. "I always tell stories to the younger lads about the old days in England when you had to make an appointment to see your coach and couldn't talk to reporters without permission. Can you imagine, not being able to talk to your coach?"

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Pecci rallies to oust Noah

Connors loses head and match

PARIS, June 3 (AFP) — Jose Luis Clerc of Argentina notched up a dramatic surprise who he defeated the second seed Jimmy Connors of the United States to reach the semifinals of the men's singles at the French Open Tennis Championships here Wednesday.

In a rain-interrupted match, played for the most part in an uncomfortable drizzle, the South American scored a 4-6, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5, 6-0 victory in a grueling, four-hour marathon marred by a controversial line-call in the crucial fourth set.

Connors was serving at 30-30 in the eleventh game when a ball from Clerc was judged wrong by the linesman. The umpire over-ruled the decision and ordered Connors to replay the point.

White-faced with anger the 28-year-old American, who has never beaten Clerc, stalked towards the umpire's chair where he cursed and made an obscene gesture.

The incident broke Connors' concentration and his revival in the set for he had come back to 5-5 after trailing 3-5. Clerc snapped up the set and never looked back.

Connors' resistance in the final set was minimal although he saved two set points. Clerc now plays the winner of the quarter final between John McEnroe of the United States and Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia.

After the four and a half hours match, Connors refused to shake hands with the umpire. Clerc had beaten Connors in both of their previous meetings. The American

retired hurt while trailing in the San Jose final this year and in the quarterfinals of last year's Boston tournament.

After his victory Clerc said: "I think this is my surface and I like it when someone plays very hard at me. His style suits me and he missed a lot of easy points. 'At the start I was not used to the center court. I was angry not to have played at least once on the center court before Wednesday.'"

"I think in the final set I was playing much better and I didn't miss many balls. 'I know that the people here wanted Connors to win but — that's tennis. I had some luck perhaps — but sometimes you need a little luck.'"

Connors was still smarming with anger over the umpire when he met the press. "I should be above that guy," he said, adding: "I can't put into words how I feel. Four or five years ago I would have probably jerked him out of the chair."

"Why does he need linesmen if he's going to over-rule them. Best let them go and watch the tennis." Connors said he would play no more tournaments now until Wimbledon.

Earlier Tuesday, Victor Pecci the lanky Paraguayan, went forward to the net boldly to eliminate the last remaining French hope, Yannick Noah 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Pecci survived the early assault of his 21-year-old opponent and captured the second set, but his chances looked bleak in the vital third set when he trailed the Frenchman 1-4. Both players, standing well over 6 ft. 4 inches and relying on a powerful serve-and-volley

game, produced thrilling acrobatics.

Neither was on his feet after a fierce exchange at the net at the end of the opening game of the third set and Noah appeared to take a decisive advantage when he went on to break the South American's service in the second.

Pecci, who was 0-40 down after Noah had produced another full-length, goalkeeper-style diving volley, was left no chance when the Frenchman produced a spectacular smash.

Noah, who was discovered by Arthur Ashe on a visit to the French Cameroons a decade ago, immediately raised his fist in a victory salute. It was premature. Pecci immediately broke back to 1-2. Noah, regathered his concentration and moved into what should have been a 4-1 lead. But he couldn't clinch it against the stubborn South American. Pecci won the next seven games as Noah's resolution slowly evaporated.

The match, which had to be halted for nearly an hour because of rain, lasted just under three hours. Pecci, 25, who comes from a country which contains fewer than 200 registered tennis players, said he was delighted with the way he had served. "It was the difference between us," he said.

Looking forward to his match against Borg, Pecci said: "I think I can beat him. I will attack him throughout." After his defeat a bitterly disappointed Noah said he had failed to take his chances. "My concentrations went in the third set. I started making errors and he knew how to exploit them," he said.

Shergar wins Epsom Derby

EPSOM, England, June 3 (AP) — The Aga Khan's Shergar was booted home by jockey Walter Swinburn to an easy victory in the 202nd running of the Derby stakes on Epsom Downs Wednesday.

Second, ten lengths back, came Paul Mellon's Glimt of Gold, ridden by John Matthews and third was Scintillating Air, with Geoff Baxter up.

The winner was so strongly fancied that it started at odds of 10 to 11 on. Glimt of Gold paid 13 to 1 and Scintillating Air started at 50 to one. Shotgun, ridden by Lester Piggot was fourth at 7 to 1.

Winning jockey Walter Swinburn's immediate reaction was "I was just a passenger on a very good horse." He added, "We had a perfect run and I knew we had it when we went after two furlongs. His father said: 'I am lost for words, it was a cool, brilliant performance by horse and rider. I'm very proud of my son.'"

Trainer Michael Stoute said: "Once they straightened for home I knew Shergar had it won. He had a lovely position throughout and was beautifully ridden. It's fulfilled a dream, this first Derby. It's always been my ambi-

tion."

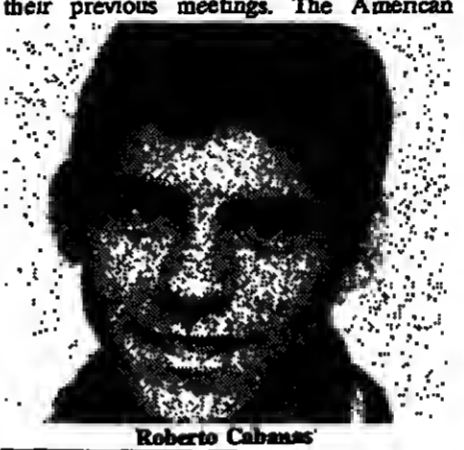
The 19-year-old Swinburn is the youngest jockey to win the race since Lester Piggot partnered Never Say Die to victory in 1934 and no horse had won the Derby by so far this century.

Stoute added: "It was all a great team job and I'm absolutely thrilled, he'll probably go for the Irish Derby."

The Aga Khan said: "This is a very special race and a very special occasion, so it's obviously a very special feeling to win it. On enulating my grandfather, who won five derbies, he said: 'I don't know, he had a great record.'"

Walter Swinburn added: "He did just what I thought he would. He was idling a furlong out, and I gave him one crack. I thought I could hear the crowd shouting 'Lester.' I had a look round and I couldn't believe it."

Swinburn only rode his first winner three years ago, and has been stable jockey to Stoute for just three months. At the end of last season he turned down the top job with Lambourn trainer. He was born in Oxford and spent his early years in Ireland.



Roberto Cabanas

Indian Airlines grabs second win

PENANG, Malaysia, June 3 (AFP) — Indian Airlines (I.A.) scored a 5-3 victory over the Malaysian Armed Forces in the Razzak Cup Hockey Tournament here Wednesday.

This was the Indians' second victory. The team studied with a couple of internationals, had beaten Kedah State of Malaysia in their opening match.

In other matches, Federal Territory beat Johore 2-1; Perak routed Indonesia 9-2, Selangor thrashed Sembilan 7-2 and Penang crushed Pahang 6-0.

Meanwhile, Pakistan will be without the services of flying horse Samiullah and dependable goalkeeper Qamar Zia in the Four-Nation Hockey Tournament to be played at Frankfurt and Amsterdam from June 15.

With only a week left for the departure of the team for Frankfurt the selectors are still in a fix about the inclusion of a goalkeeper in the touring squad. While center forward Naqem Tahir is definitely out of the side for fitness reasons, the inclusion of reputed inside right Manzoor Junior is also doubtful for the same reason.

Experts call the present side the weakest combination ever sent to participate in a prestigious tournament. Pakistan, they maintain, is yet to recover from the shock of losing the Champions' trophy.

Motocross meet

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 3 — After a long gap motocross championship once again makes the scene in Jeddah with the ECH organizing a meet at Kilo 21, Makkah, Road Friday. The meet which is scheduled at 1500 hrs, will see riders vying for the prizes in the 80, 100, 125, 250 and the 500 c.c. events.

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In National League

Pirates give Cubs a thrashing

NEW YORK, June 3 (AP) — Dave Revving's first home run in a New York uniform...

Rick Cerone opened the inning with a single off Sammy Stewart...

In other American League games, Dwight Evans hit his 13th homer...

Dave Frost, whose last major league victory had been over Toronto...

Shoety Babitt's two-run triple capped a five-run first inning...



Chicago White Sox. Jim Anderson hit a double and two singles...

Baseball Standings

Table with columns for American League (East, West) and National League (East, West), listing teams, wins, losses, and percentages.

victory over the Kansas City Royals.

Gorman Thomas knocked in four runs with two homers, and Mike Caldwell and Milie Fingers combined on a five-bitter...

Al Oliver and Eddy Bell delivered run-scoring singles in the eighth inning...

In the National League, Steve Nicosia drove in a career-high four runs...

Pete Rose banged out two triples and a single and drove in three runs...

Rookie speedster Tim Lincecum bases-loaded tripped a six-run Montreal third inning...

In late games on the west coast, pinch-hitter Bill Nahorodny's run-scoring double...

Craig Reynolds lined a two-run-scoring triple to cap a two-run ninth inning...

Jerry Martin hit a grand slam homer in a nine-run fourth inning...



ALL SMILES: Dave Green of Britain, making a comeback after he was knocked out by Sugar Ray Leonard...

Dave Green impresses

LONDON, June 3 (AFP) — England's Dave Green, the European welterweight champion...

The aggressive Green gave a much improved performance in his third fight...

His defense looked a good deal tighter after the first two rounds...

Meanwhile, Mustafa Hamsho thinks he will beat former world middleweight boxing champion Alan Minter...

"I don't know if I will stop him or knock him out," said the New York based Syrian.

"All I know is it will be in the seventh or eighth round. It depends on how much he bleeds."

Soviet cagers score facile win

PRAGUE, June 3 (R) — The Soviet Union beat Spain 170-101 (halftime 59-54) Tuesday night...

Best scorers for the Soviet Union were Valter (27), Myshkin and Belosteni (19)...

(19), Klimes (13). While Villalta (20), Gilardi (14), Sylvester (12) and Maeghin 12 top-scored for Italy.

West Germany beat England 65-58 (halftime 25-29) and Poland beat France 102-93 (54-39) in the play-offs...

Best scorers for West Germany were Mendel (23) and Zander (10)...

Mlynarski (33), Kijewski (20), Protak (14) and Binkowski (13) were top scorers for Poland...

U.S. golfers fare badly

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland, June 3 (AP) — The run of American first-round failures continued in the British Amateur Golf Championship...

Heavy rain, driving winds and mist made conditions difficult for the visiting players...

Only 14 of the 33 U.S. golfers who played Monday reached the second round.

South African champion David Suddards, last year's runner-up was the first seeded player in action Tuesday.

Thirty first-round matches still were uncompleted when the rain forced a temporary suspension of play...

Norway to ban pro boxing

OSLO, June 3 (AP) — Professional boxing will be banned in Norway before the Storting (parliament) starts its summer recess June 15.

After the ban is formally imposed, those staging professional boxing meets...

The Nordic Council called for a ban of professional boxing in the Nordic countries in 1969.

The Nordic Council and the majority supporting the ban in Norway feels that professional boxing lacks the same strict physical and

is scheduled to finish Sunday.

First round results: Mike Hughes, England def Jesus Lopez, Spain, 3 and 2; Francesco Piermarini, Italy, def Benjamin Dowdey, U.S., 5 and 4; Colin Kaye, Australia, def Peter Lamb, Scotland by 2 holes...

Vikramjit Singh, India, def Ernest Wilson, Scotland by 1 hole; Gichard Lane, England, def Neil James, South Africa by 2 holes...

Medical rules that are practiced in amateur boxing in the Nordic countries.

"The absence of pro boxing in Norway will be no big loss for our sports environment," said Education Minister Einar Foerde.

Meanwhile, in Seoul it was announced, World Boxing Council (WBC) light bantamweight champion Kim Chul-Ho of South Korea will stage his second title defense against Willie Jensen of the United States...

Fight promoter Chun Ho-Yun also announced that the World Boxing Association (WBA) light flyweight title bout between Champion Pedro Flores of Mexico and South Korean challenger Kim Hwan-Jin will take place in the southeastern provincial city of Taegu.

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Development programs

U.S. defends policy toward Third World

WASHINGTON, June 3 (AP) — A U.S. treasury official Tuesday denied claims that the administration of President Ronald Reagan is paying little attention to the Third World development programs supported by the World Bank and other multilateral lending institutions.

At the same time, Marn E. Leland, assistant secretary for international affairs, acknowledged that the administration's budget-cutting plan to defer paying in a sizable share of U.S. financial contributions has "led to expressions of concern by many other countries."

Japan's trade strategy played

LONDON, June 3 (AFP) — Sir Terence Beckett, director general of the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), urged European countries to take collective action to defend their industries against Japanese competition.

At a meeting organized by International Business Machines (IBM), he criticized "the Japanese strategy of concentrating all its (the country's) energies on one particular sector and destroying the competition in all advanced countries."

Canada acts to aid sheep industry

OTTAWA, June 3 (AFP) — Canadian Agriculture Minister Eugene Whelan has said that he was trying to find alternative ways to protect the small but growing Canadian sheep industry from cheap Australian and New Zealand lamb.

He told the House of Commons Agriculture Committee here that meat exporting agencies in Australia and New Zealand were being asked to control their shipments to Canada to avoid interfering with major marketing periods for domestic lamb at Easter

and Christmas.

When CANAGREX, the Canadian Agriculture Export Corporation, is established, it could act as the receiver for lamb shipments from those two countries to prevent oversupply of the market, Whelan said.

The minister was answering questions during the first committee hearing on a proposed meat import law to control annual beef imports into Canada. Several conservative members of parliament urged that similar provisions be enacted for sheep producers.

cannot turn our people into Japanese. The difference in productivity between Europe and Japan is so large we cannot bridge it in the short term."

Then, Sir Terence declared, the Japanese must be made to understand that they would not be able to go on selling to the Western countries if they did not buy from them. The European Economic Community (EEC) now had a deficit of more than \$10 billion a year in its trade balance with Japan and the gap continued to widen.

Insisting on the necessity for joint European action, he pointed out that the United States had already induced the Japanese to restrict their sales of automobiles, threatening them with quotas and with a change in American defense policy in the Far East. The result was an additional danger for the community that the cars which could no longer be delivered to the United States would be switched to Europe.

Saudi Arabian Government tenders

Authority	Description	Tender Number	Price SR.	Closing Date
Directorate General of Rural & Municipal Affairs of the Western Region	Construction of protective barricades against storm-water at Kallwa	1/M	15	14-6-81
Municipality of Al-Medina	—Supply & installation of a central radio system —Office requirements	—	50	20-6-81
Ministry of Health	Renovation of the facades of the Health Institute at Riyadh	827	500	29-6-81

PORTS AUTHORITY JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT SHIPS MOVEMENTS UPTO 0700 HOURS ON 3RD JUNE, 1981 1ST SHABAN, 1401

Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival Date
1A	Merzaria Arabia	A.E.T.	Contra./Ro Ro	2.8.81
2	Pozega	Aliraza	Heavy Vehicles	"
4	Zambo	Mofarrij	Barley/Sorghum	28.5.81
5	Char An	Abdallah	Steel/Gen./Contra.	30.5.81
6	Al Baret	Bamaoudah	Bagged Barley	30.5.81
7	Sefina-o-Arab	S.C.S.A.	Union/Fine/Gen.	1.8.81
8	Amnijn	Alsabab	Bagged Barley	22.4.81
9	Manmuth Pine	Gulf	Bulk Wheat/Soya	2.8.81
10.S	Fangla	O.C.E.	Paper/Gun./Gen.	28.5.81
10N	Nour	H.T.A.	Tiles/Gen.	30.5.81
11	Golden Danmem	El Hawi	Steel/Gar/Pipes	"
13	Kota Sajeti	Bamaoudah	Bagged Barley	31.5.81
15	Attika Hope	Algozrah	General	1.8.81
16	Ibn Al Suweid	Kanoo	Containers	2.8.81
18	Achilleus	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	25.5.81
20	Al Soalblah	Kanoo	Contra./Gen.	31.5.81
21	Union Kingston	O.C.E.	Contra./Gen.	28.5.81
22	Al Shideqiah	Kanoo	Cement/Contra./Gen.	28.5.81
24	Golden Med	Alsabab	Bagged Sugar	31.5.81
26	Konlar Foselom	A.E.T.	Gen./Coffee/Contra.	2.8.81
28	Khalij Frazar	Star	Rubber	31.5.81
31	Masdiva Progress	A.A.	Bagged Barley	31.5.81
35	Kitano Meru	A.E.T.	Containers	1.8.81
38	Khudzchnik Saryan	A.E.T.	Containers	2.8.81
39	Ikan	Redsea	General	2.8.81
40	Mikullca Orab	Shobakshi	Mineral Water/Marble	31.5.81
41	Hercules	Alsabab	Bagged Barley	31.5.81
42	Union Hodeidan	O.C.E.	Contra./Plywood/Steel	25.5.81
43	Stavroula K	Star	Tiles	1.8.81

KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT DAMMAM SHIPS MOVEMENTS UPTO 0700 HOURS OF 1.8.1401/3.6.1981 CHANGES FOR THE PAST 24 HOURS

10	Halla Pride			31.5.81
11	Uganda			3.8.81
12	Pingchi			2.8.81
15	Star Stone	UEP	Bagged Maize	29.5.81
16	Minark Astro	Kanoo	Gen/Contra	2.8.81
35	Minorie Luck	Alsanfa	Steel/Gen.	2.8.81
36	Artemis (D.B.)	A.S.S.B.	Gen. Cement	22.5.81
37	Asia Rose (D.B.)	Globe	Gen. Cement	28.5.81



RUBBER REVOLUTION UNDERWAY: Development in guayule research could hasten the creation of an energy-efficient natural rubber industry in the United States. Research and development projects on guayule, a rubber bearing shrub, are being conducted at a lab in Akron, Ohio. Seen here being examined by a scientist during processing are natural rubber (left) and resins (center) extracted from the ground guayule shrub shown at right.

Signing cocoa pact Ivorians set terms to ICCO

LONDON, June 3 (AP) — The Ivory Coast has told members of the International Cocoa Council that it will not take part in another world cocoa pact unless that pact's minimum underpinning price is revised.

Unless general political considerations overrule this approach, and because the consumer nations in the world cocoa organization refuse to give way, the Ivory Coast statement made to the council Tuesday can be taken as a refusal for further cooperation with the ICCO.

The Ivorians went further. They asked for an immediate return of their share of the buffer stock fund amounting to about \$50 million.

To date the buffer stock fund totals \$233 million. The money comes from a levy contributed by the cocoa-producing nations on every bag of cocoa exported from 1973 to end March 1980 plus the interest accrued from investments in that time.

The Ivory Coast statement, however, lacked finality. Conference sources said that at the insistence of the British delegation, the Ivorians replied that it was "not an official statement."

Cocoa pacts have been in existence since 1973, but because of high world cocoa prices caused by a four-year shortage, their economic clauses were inoperative. Thus, export quotas remained suspended and the buffer stock fund, set up to stabilize world prices by buying cocoa from world markets when prices fell and re-selling it when they rose, remained inoperative in the seven years of its existence.

Rains may damage European crops

WASHINGTON, June 3 (AP) — Extremely damp conditions have returned to parts of northwestern Europe, endangering cereal crops, the U.S. government has reported.

The joint agricultural weather facility said Tuesday French officials expressed concern about potential damage to cereal crops due to the persistent weather.

Soaking rains struck the wheat belt of Australia last week, causing fears on crop

damage from an extremely dry spell, the report said.

Moisture conditions in the major wheat growing nations of South America and in Canada were favorable.

The Soviet Union continues having favorable weather for planting and warm conditions have accelerated plant growth, the report said. It said, however, that spring rains in parts of the Volga Valley and Chernozem region may face moisture shortages as surface soil dries out.

However, getting their contribution out of the fund, is by no means an easy matter, the Ivorians were told by secretariat experts attending the council meeting. Under the last 1975 international cocoa agreement, which expired end March 1980, a 66 percent majority vote on both producer and consumer sides needed to allow a return of contributions. Even if the Ivorians are sure of securing a producer majority, they also can be sure that consumers, already impatient with Ivorian obstruction tactics, will deny them their majority vote, a leading consumer delegation source said.

Informants said that the ICCO secretariat made it quite clear that only through outright liquidation of the cocoa organization, could the Ivorians, together with other producers, obtain an immediate return of their contributions.

IATA says Airlines face \$1.7b loss

GENEVA, June 3 (R) — The world's major commercial airlines will be in the red by a total of \$700 million by the end of this year if present trends continue, the International Air Transport Association (IATA) has said.

The 110-member companies will together lose \$1.7 billion on operating their international scheduled flights while paying out an estimated \$900 million in repayment charges, IATA financial experts added Tuesday.

The \$1.9 billion already set aside for investing in new fuel-efficient aircraft will be completely wiped out, leaving companies \$700 million in the red, the finance team told a meeting of 120 senior executives from about 60 firms.

IATA Director General Knut Hammarstrand called the two-day meeting at short notice to discuss immediate solutions to the worsening financial crisis. The executives are concentrating on raising revenue, possibly through fare increases, cutting costs, and asking national governments to ease the burden of landing and traffic control charges.

Some companies were unwilling to raise fares for the second time this year, given keen competition and a slowdown in demands, as this would frighten off the discretionary traveler who responds more to price changes.

Another solution is to cut operation costs, but the mainly European airlines attending the current meeting can take little immediate action to reduce staff levels. A cargo operator, Flying Tiger, is the sole U.S. company at the Geneva talks following government pressure on passenger carriers to quit IATA's tariff coordination conferences.

Monsoon planting Kampucheans given rice seed

BANGKOK, June 3 (AFP) — Thousands of Kampucheans with ox carts received handouts of rice seed at the Thai border Tuesday to prepare for the monsoon planting season.

It was the second distribution this year by the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and other voluntary organizations.

"We are trying to get 3,000 tons of seed across the border before the rainy season starts in earnest, when it will be too late for planting and transport will become difficult," a senior UNICEF official said in Bangkok Wednesday.

Some 10,000 Kampucheans gathered at Nong Chan, a village about 155 miles (250 kilometers) east of Bangkok, for the distribution. About 1,300 tons, destined for people in the border provinces, was given out May 14 and another 1,400 tons Tuesday. The remainder will be distributed at Nong Chan later this month.

Britain launches \$451m warship

WALLSEND, England, June 3 (AP) — Queen Mother Elizabeth launched the third new British aircraft carrier and Defense Secretary John Nott ended press speculation that the 16,000-ton Ark Royal is headed straight for mothballs because of economies.

Nott Tuesday watched the sunshine launch of the £220-million (\$451 million) anti-submarine warship at Swan Hunter's north-east England yard on the Tyne River. Later, he told a news conference the carrier will be fitted out as planned. "That is going to take about three and a half years," the secretary said.

"In the kind of problem we have had recently in the Indian ocean or the Gulf sea might be an ideal ship, possibly for support-

ing our American allies," he added.

The new Ark Royal, the most expensive warship built by Britain, is the fifth of that name in a line going back to 1586. The vessel is the third and last of the carriers designed to operate carrier jump jets from an upswept bow nicknamed the ski-jump.

The carrier Invincible is already at sea and Illustrious, launched in 1978, starts trials soon, the Royal Navy said.

Doubts about the carriers' future arose when Navy Minister Keith Speed was fired last month for proposing, against planned cuts in the surface fleet to pay for Trident missiles to arm nuclear submarines. The Sunday Express claimed all three carriers will be laid up in "another shattering blow for naval morale."

BRIEFS

TORONTO, (AFP) — Japanese banks are looking to Canada for both profits and stability and are optimistic about its growth potential, Iso Kohata, the chief representative of the Fuji Bank in Canada, said. "For the Japanese, this is a place for long-term investments because we think Canada is one of the most stable countries in the world," he said.

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — American businessmen abroad in 90 countries believe it is "very probable" that these countries will adopt protectionist measures if their economies deteriorate, a U.S. Chamber of Commerce investigation indicated. The survey, undertaken earlier this year, said that 79 percent of the 1,518 American businessmen questioned believed that their host countries would react to any U.S. measure to cut their sales within the United States.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — The U.S. federal trade commission gave antitrust approval Tuesday to the proposed \$1.77 billion merger of Standard Oil Co. (Ohio) and Kennecott Corporation, a transaction scheduled for midnight Wednesday. British Petroleum Company Limited owns 53 percent of Sohio.

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — The United States' 1,000 largest companies allocated \$29 billion to their investment budgets during the first quarter of 1981, or 16 percent

more than the last quarter of 1980. The Conference Board Business Institute said Wednesday. This rise basically reflects the growth in investment spending decided by oil companies, it said. These companies authorized the spending of \$12.2 billion, or 40 percent more than the previous quarter.

MOSCOW, (AFP) — Trade between the Soviet Union and Britain ought to recover in a way that is satisfactory for the two parties, the party newspaper Pravda said in a comment on the ninth session of the Soviet-British cooperation committee. Pravda expressed regret that bilateral trade slowed in 1980, but did not mention that this was in response to the Soviet move into Afghanistan.

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Venezuela slashes oil output

CARACAS, Venezuela, June 3 (AP) — Venezuela has reduced its oil production by an average of 134,000 barrels per day to 2.07 million barrels, following an agreement last week by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, OPEC, Energy Minister Humberto Calderon Berti has announced.

The minister said at a news conference that the reduction will reach the 198,000 barrels per day agreed to by Venezuela "in the next few days."

Ten nations of the 13-member OPEC group decided during a ministerial meeting in Geneva last week to reduce their production by 10 to 14 percent in an effort to establish a balance between production and consumption in the world market.

Saudi Arabia did not go along with the "voluntary decision" to reduce production, Calderon Berti noted. However, he said he has "a personal feeling" that the Saudi Arabian government will soon order a cut in its production, which is now estimated at a record 10.3 million barrels per day.

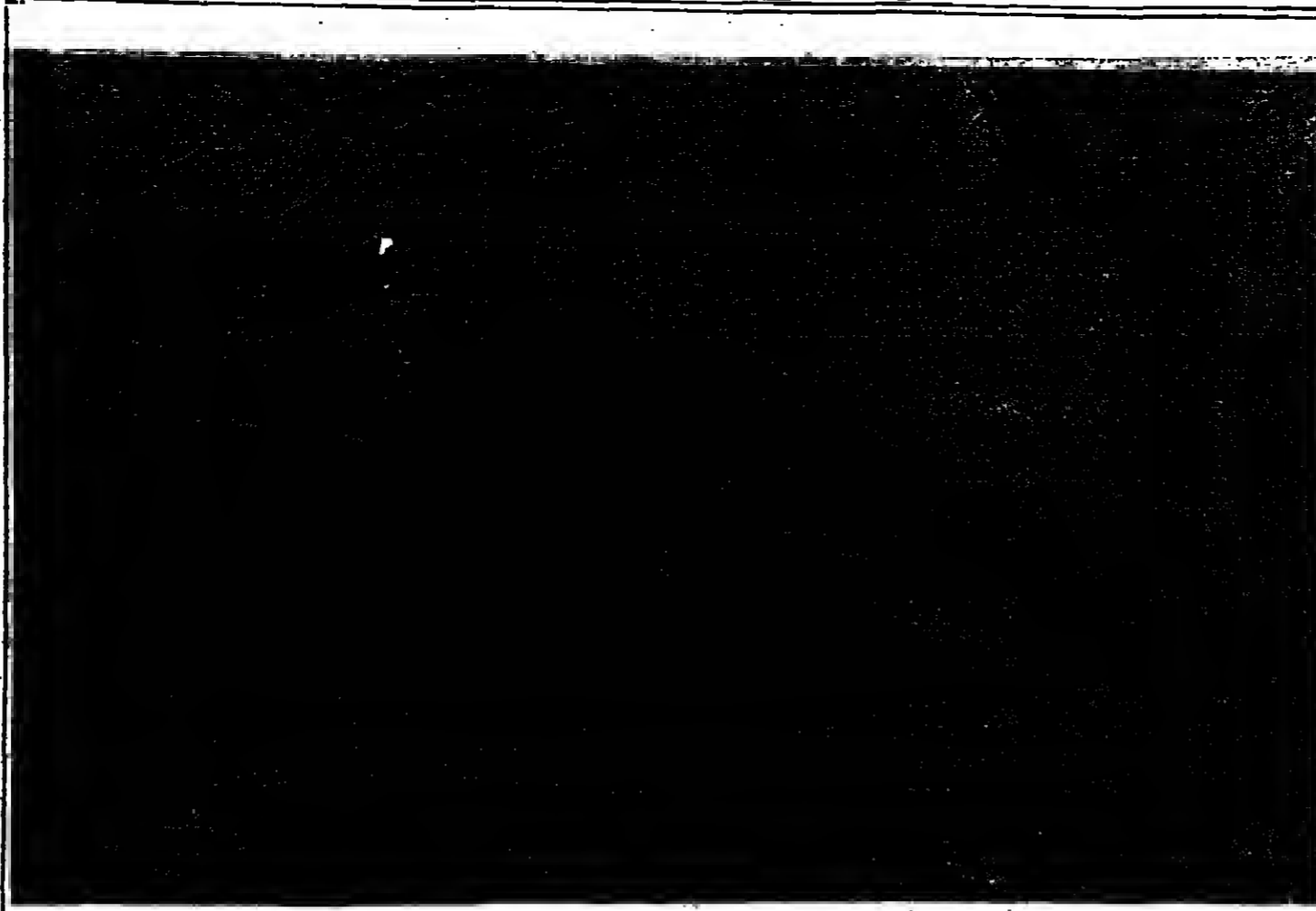
The other two OPEC members that are not reducing their oil output are Iran and Iraq, because of the ongoing war between them which has seriously affected their oil industries. Calderon Berti also said that he is convinced that Saudi Arabia will soon raise its oil export price to \$34 barrel from the present minimum OPEC-set price of \$32 per barrel.

Kenya gets \$30m loan from Japan

NAIROBI, June 3 (AFP) — Japan is to loan Kenya almost 244 million shillings (about \$30 million) to build a road from Garissa, in north-eastern province, to Lamu, coast province, under an agreement signed here Wednesday.

The agreement was signed by Kenyan Vice-President and Finance Minister Mwai Kibaki and Japanese Ambassador Teruo Kosugi.

Japan is also offering additional aid, worth eight million shillings (\$1 million) to buy equipment for the Kabarak Health Center in Rift Valley province.



FISHERMEN PROTEST: Salmon fishermen surrounded an incoming freighter under the Golden Gate Bridge in an effort to block the entrance to San Francisco Bay in protest against the U.S. federal order cutting short their salmon season. Coast Guard vessels cleared a path and no untoward incident was reported.

Fokker plans new breed of jets for 1990s

SCHIPHOL, Netherlands, June 3 (R) — Fokker, the Dutch aircraft firm made legend by the Red Baron German fighter ace over 60 years ago, is preparing to put a new breed of jets in the air by the 1990s.

With cash backing from the Dutch government and partnership with McDonnell Douglas of the United States, Fokker hopes to consolidate its return from the brink of ruin three years ago by producing a medium-range 150-seat jet airliner by 1986.

McDonnell Douglas's civil planes sales have been flagging, particularly since the 1979 Chicago crash of its wide-bodied DC-10. But

Tie-up with U.S. firm

the agreement has won the confidence of the Dutch stock market where Fokker shares have leapt over 70 percent in five months.

Both companies think their futures hinge on catching the 150-seater market, replacing existing short-haul workhorses such as the Boeing 727 and McDonnell Douglas's own DC-9. Fokker reckons this market could reach 2,000 planes by 1993. One U.S. airline, United, has said it will spend \$9 billion on short-haul airliners between 1986 and 1992.

Fokker is less than a tenth the size of the huge McDonnell Douglas, but the American company lost \$140 million on the civil aircraft side last year and hopes the tie-up will usher in a recovery in sales. Aviation industry analysts said the new short-haul plane, to be known as the MDF-100, will be based on Fokker's F-29 air frame which has been undergoing tests for some time.

Fokker's two existing production aircraft, the F-27 and F-28, although still selling well, are ageing and a new addition is felt to be essential. The two companies are, however, still looking for other partners to joint the project on a risk-sharing basis. Fokker finance director Hulbertus Grobben said there was a fair possibility of Japanese involvement.

Fokker's return to success from the brink of failure was supervised by the company's president and chief executive Frans Swart-

touw, recruited three years ago after the merger of Fokker and Vereinigte Flugtechnische Werke (UFW) of Bremen.

Swartouw dissolved the merger, which had floundered because of the failure with heavy losses of a project to design a short-haul airliner.

Fokker said the main obstacle to that project was the difficulty of working with two governments which were constantly backing national projects. But a spokesman pointed out the venture with McDonnell Douglas was not a merger. Swartouw, a tough businessman from the giant Europort at Rotterdam, abandoned the company's exclusively European outlook and took the short-haul project to potential partners in the U.S. and Japan before plunging for McDonnell Douglas.

In the past year he has seen Fokker's profits double to reach 10 million guilders (\$ 4 million).

If successful, the MDF-100 will follow a long line of Fokker trial blazers.

Dollar's rise unchecked

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, June 3 — Despite a slight fall in the dollar's exchange value against most other major currencies in New York Tuesday night, Wednesday saw the dollar advance against the same currencies to reach new records. Biggest falls recorded against the dollar were for the pound sterling, mark and French franc. The yen continued to remain stable. Gold and silver traded at Tuesday's levels with little changes recorded. Locally, rial deposit rates rose to new heights and on the exchange markets the rial and dollar spot rates also climbed.

The continuing strengthening of the dollar on the European exchange markets is still taking many dealers by surprise as the dollar scales new heights. Interest rate factors do not seem to be the dominant reason for the time being, for, despite the present high levels of the Federal Reserve "Fed funds" rate (it closed at 19 1/2 percent in New York Tuesday) some American banks have now joined Chase Manhattan in cutting their prime lending rate to 20 percent from the previous 20 1/2 percent. Analysts are now attributing the rise of the dollar on the exchange markets to nervousness about the Polish political scene as well as Germany's own political problems. This view is not entirely subscribed to by a senior American treasury official in Washington, who when reached for a comment about the recent dollar's recovery said that it was a situation of the Europeans "now crying sour grapes". "The Americans had not screamed blue murder when the Europeans took advantage of the dollar's weakness and progressively revalued their currencies against the dollar when the dollar was weak". He went on to add, "and now when

the dollar is rising back to its original value against these currencies everyone is saying something must be wrong".

Whatever the politics of the situation, it is undoubtedly true that the dollars recovery has been remarkably sustained. The British pound slipped to its lowest level yet against the dollar to reach 2.0130 at one stage Wednesday. Similarly, the German mark, which had been trading at 2.32 levels only a few days ago, was quoted in Frankfurt Wednesday at 2.36 levels and the market is saying that the 2.40 level is "breakable". The mark was not helped by good economic news either — April was a good month indeed for the German trade surplus for that month was a positive 3.3 billion marks narrowing the current account deficit to 400 million marks from the March figure of 2.9 billion marks.

The French franc seemed to be leading toward the 5.60 barrier against the dollar. After closing in New York at 5.5800, Wednesday saw dealers quoting that currency at nearer 5.5910 by mid-day. However, it later stabilized at 5.5900. The Swiss franc back to 2.0890 — another 100 point drop, but the yen was stabilized at 223.60 after heavy importer purchases.

On the local markets, spot rial against the dollar reached to 3.3910 — 20 in an active dealings day. The "normal" spot for dealing over Friday would have been around 3.3890 — 00. Rial deposit rates firmed significantly over Wednesday to reach one-month JIBOR levels of 17 — 17 1/4 percent from opening levels of 16 1/4 — 17 1/4 percent. The rate rises were even marked in the short tenors which saw overnight lending reach 20 percent levels with week being higher than the dollar at 18 1/4 — 19 1/4 percent. All in all, the rial deposit rates have also made a turnaround.

Banks lend Portugal \$500m

LISBON, June 3 (AP) — The Portuguese government Tuesday signed a \$500 million loan with a consortium of foreign banks to cover the country's balance of payments deficit.

The eight-year loan, payable after a five-year grace period, was approved in the 1981 national budget by the government of Prime Minister Francisco Pinto Balsemão and will cover the balance of payments deficit, at present estimated at \$1.1 billion.

The deficit total was expected to rise as Portugal seeks modern infrastructures needed for its scheduled 1984 entry into the EEC.

The loan will yield an interest rate of 0.5 percent over the LIBOR for the first six years, with a 3.8 percent rate for the remaining two years.

Agents for the medium-term loan are manufacturers Hanover Ltd. Other leading banks in the accord include Amsterdam-

Rotterdam Bank, the Bank of Tokyo Ltd., Banque Nationale de Paris, National Westminster Bank group and Al-UBAS group.

London stock market

LONDON, June 3 (R) — Government bonds and golds eased while equities closed mixed after a quiet session and at 1500 hours the forward trading index was up 0.1 at 547.1.

Government bonds showed net falls of up to 1/4 against opening easier levels and movements during the session reflected sterling's lower trend, dealers said. Gold shares closed easier after an attempted midmorning rally petered out and equity leaders traded mixed throughout the session. U.S. and Canadian were inclined easier.

Unlevered ended 7p higher at 560, but other leading industrials showed mixed movements of a penny or two.

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London Commodities

	June 3	June 2
Gold (\$ per ounce)	474.50	474.50
Silver cash (pence per ounce)	520.50	515.00
3 months	535.50	530.00
Copper cash	852.25	846.00
3 months	877.50	870.00
Tin cash	6177.50	6160.00
3 months	6295.00	6270.00
Lead cash	340.50	342.00
3 months	358.75	351.00
Zinc cash	403.00	414.00
3 months	412.50	424.00
Aluminium cash	627.50	620.00
3 months	647.25	641.00
Nickel cash	3052.50	3030.00
3 months	3102.50	3085.00
Sugar August	215.50	223.75
October	216.75	224.75
Coffee July	911.00	925.00
September	918.50	925.00
Cocoa July	840.50	847.00
December	864.50	867.00

Notes: Prices in pounds per metric ton. The above prices are provided by Saudi Research & Investment Ltd., P.O. Box 6474, Tel: 6653988, Jeddah.

Foreign Exchange Rates

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Belgian Franc (1,000)	88.00	111.00	9.15
Canadian Dollar	2.81	—	2.83
Deutsche Mark (100)	143.00	144.25	143.90
Dutch Guilder (100)	129.00	130.00	129.55
Egyptian Pound	—	4.03	4.27
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	92.00	92.45
French Franc (100)	60.00	61.45	60.80
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	64.50	59.90
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	39.25
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Korean Won (1,000)	—	10.20	10.14
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.18	12.15
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	79.50	79.15
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	69.50	68.30
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.45
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	44.10
Portuguese Escudo	6.90	6.90	6.86
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	93.00	93.25
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	157.70
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	37.00	36.40
Swiss Franc (100)	162.00	163.50	162.50
Syrian Lira (100)	—	50.60	53.60
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	3.35	—
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Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

Unreliable Generalizations

West dealer. North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 8 6 2
♥ J 10
♦ A Q 8 5
♣ J Q 10 9 4

EAST
♠ K J 7 5
♥ 8 6 5 3 2
♦ K 4
♣ 7 3

SOUTH
♠ A Q 4
♥ K Q
♦ J 10 9 7 2
♣ A K 6

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 10
Pass 3 0 Pass 6 0

Opening lead — two of spades.

There are all kinds of rules that players learn to rely on because of long experience. However, many of these bromides are untrustworthy generalizations that should be ignored whenever the occasion calls for it.

Consider the generally accepted rule of defense called "third-hand-high." It is true that in the majority of cases when a defender leads a low card, his partner, who becomes the third player on the trick, is best advised to play his highest card. But sometimes he should not, and

Here is a case in point. West leads a low spade and let's assume that East, true to the "third-hand-high" tradition, plays the king. Declarer wins with the ace and takes a trump finesse that loses to East's king. East must now find exactly the right suit to play to stop the slam.

If East returns a spade, hoping to find partner with the queen, declarer makes the slam. South later discards his K-Q of hearts on dummy's clubs. But if East plays a heart at trick three the slam goes down one.

How can East solve this immensely difficult problem? The answer lies not in East's play at trick three; it lies in East's play at trick one. East should play the jack of spades at trick one, not the king. He naturally assumes South has the ace of spades, and should play his jack in order to discover whether South also has the queen.

When declarer wins the spade jack with the queen and attempts the trump finesse, which loses, it becomes automatic for East to shift to a heart at trick three. The knowledge East gains at trick one — that South started with the A-Q of spades — enables East to find the killing heart return at trick three.

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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
A sense of humor will help you rise above domestic difficulties. Keep in touch with distant relatives. Plan to make a visit.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
Curb a tendency to impatience and resist the inclination to be short with others. Good news with regard to finances.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Avoid impulsive decisions, if shopping. Also, you're inclined to overspend in the pursuit of pleasure. Maintain a budget.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
It's best to keep your opinions to yourself now. Others may be contrary. Some time by yourself helps you to cope with aggravation.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
Without intending to, you could arouse the suspicions of others. Shun secretive behavior or controversial action. Remain straightforward.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
You're sometimes impatient with others' tardiness, and today you may be kept waiting. You will find a friend helpful, careerwise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
A talk with a high could irritate you. Make effort to understand the point of others. Avoid hasty decisions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
Double-check travel arrangements. You may overlooked something important. An escapist mood make you court danger carefully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
You may be on edge, dreading a financial matter that's no excuse to let that affect your relationship. Be cordial.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
If you ask someone to you with a project, don't fault. No one is perfect. Together, you can work with solutions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Balance work with viewpoints regarding a project. After restlessness tempts you to overdo.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Home entertainment favored, but be modest behavior. Don't be in with children. Money in an evening issue.

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
1 Use dough
5 Old
11 Absolute property
12 Mexican dish
13 Withered
14 Butcher bird
15 Neighbor of Eng.
16 "Un - Di"
17 "I love" (Lat.)
18 Majestic
20 Teutonic (abbr.)
21 Spanish king
22 Crooked
23 City map
25 To the point
26 Victim
27 Parking -
28 Varnish ingredient
29 Light source
33 Hgt.
34 Chemical suffix

DOWN
2 Ever vigilant
3 Asian country
4 Dutch commune
5 Metallic
6 Count
7 "I -"
8 Passerine bird
9 Nickel, gold or oxygen (abbr.)
10 Vegetable
19 Cafeteria item

Yesterday's Answers

22 Ram into	27 Jack
23 Southern	29 Belg
candy	city
24 Reading	30 Eat a
desk	31 Cosm
25 Geometric	32 Illust
figure	37 Ital
26 Overlaid,	TV
as with	netw
gold	38 Guide

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42

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NATURAL FORMATION

THE FALSE FINE SOCIETY
A SECRET SOCIETY OF THE IROQUOIS DEVOTED TO HEALING WAS SUMMONED BY A SICK INDIAN WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE HAD A DREAM IN WHICH THERE APPEARED A FURIOUS, FACE-ONCE-CURED, THE PHOTIC AUTOMATICALLY BECAME A MEMBER OF THE MASKED GROUP

THE SHORTEST RUN OF A THEATRICAL PLAY
THE INTIMATE REVUE STAGED AT THE DUCHESS THEATRE IN LONDON ENGLAND, IN MAR. 1930, CLOSED AFTER ONLY HALF OF ITS FIRST PERFORMANCE

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work

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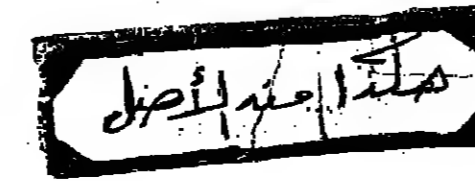
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NWLN EDYSX IWD WLQV R
QPJVX WLQV QVHB EVI QPHNCV
LFLWLWLG YPRJDYR

Yesterday's Cryptoquote: TAKE A TWO-MILE WALK EVE MORNING BEFORE BREAKFAST. — HARRY S. TRUMAN

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Talks with Communists

France to abolish state security court

PARIS, June 3 (Agencies) — France's Socialist government proposes to abolish the country's state security court. Speaking after a meeting of his cabinet Wednesday, President Francois Mitterrand told newsmen that a bill aimed at eliminating the court, created in 1963 after the Algerian war, will be presented to parliament.

Leaders of an abortive military revolt and members of the secret army organization OAS opposed to Algerian independence were tried in the court. It was later used to try terrorists fighting for autonomy of their regions.

Mitterrand also ended a decade-long controversy by announcing that his government would abandon plans for extension of a military base in southwest France to create a training compound for tanks and missile launchers.

Mitterrand, whose government halted plans for a controversial nuclear power plant at Plogoff in Brittany in western France, also stressed that his government will go ahead with facilities already under construction. He said he will announce within three months a program to make France self-sufficient in energy.

Meanwhile, France's Socialist and Communist delegates Wednesday continued their talks on an electoral pact that possibly could

bring Communists into the government. They met for almost six hours Tuesday.

Most commentators agreed that the Socialists hold most of the bargaining points since they are widely expected to do well in general elections scheduled for June 14 and 21. Opinion polls show the Communists should do no better than their leader, Georges Marchais, fared when he received 14 per cent of the vote in the April 27 first round of the presidential elections.

The Socialists are laying down such stiff conditions for Communist participation in government that many commentators offer little hope for agreement going beyond mutual support in the general elections.

Socialist sources say conditions for Communist participation in government include demands for support of Mitterrand's foreign policies. These are highly critical of Soviet attitudes toward Afghanistan and Poland as well as the stationing of SS-20 missiles in Eastern Europe.

The French Communist Party is Moscow-aligned and commentators say such demands would be impossible for the party. They add that for the Socialists the major advantage of Communist participation in government would be the virtual disarming of criticism from the left and an assurance that Communist-led trade unions would not engage in social unrest at a critical time.

The major disadvantage is that most French people, including Socialist supporters, oppose Communist participation and could be frightened into supporting the right-wing opposition, the commentators say. Foreign investors and the United States are known to frown on the idea of Communist participation in the government, the commentators add.

Child whirled up but lands safely

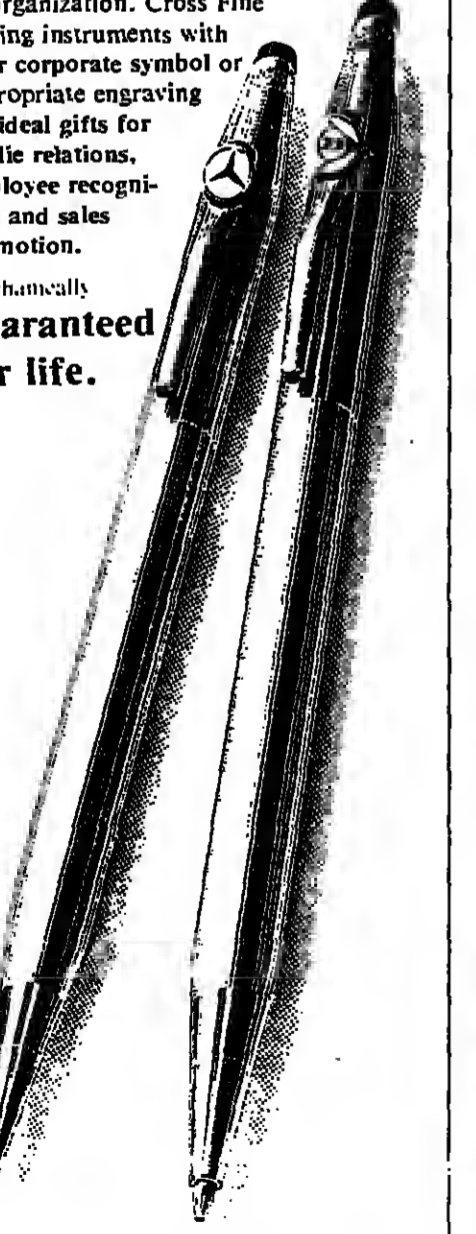
MOSCOW, June 3 (AFP) — A six-year-old girl was lifted more than 25 meters (80 feet) into the air by a whirlwind in Lithuania but landed unharmed, Soviet press reports said Wednesday.

A bus driver whose vehicle was thrown 300 meters was killed and 30 persons were injured in the incident last weekend, the reports said. A horse was also hurled 60 meters (100 feet) into the air. The wind caused severe damage.

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Craxi group drops claim to top post

ROME, June 3 (AP) — Reversing his earlier stand, Italian Socialist Party leader Bettino Craxi Wednesday set aside his demand for premiership and said his party was willing to negotiate with the dominant Christian Democrats the terms of the Socialists' participation in a new government.

The Socialists, who hold the balance of power as the third largest party in Italy after the Christian Democrats and Communists, brought down Premier Arnaldo Forlani's four-party coalition last week over a secret Masonic lodge scandal.

The Socialists had insisted that the time had come for the Christian Democrats to give the premiership to a Socialist, to Craxi, in return for the party's participation in the new cabinet — a demand rejected by the Christian Democrats as "premature."

"We do not intend to assume untimely attitudes," Craxi said after a meeting of the party directorate. "What is at stake is not a matter of partisan interest but the task of halting a serious decay of the political system, of solving a crisis which is a crisis of democratic values and power."

Brigades kidnap Milan executive

MILAN, June 3 (AFP) — The left-wing Red Brigades group Wednesday claimed responsibility for the kidnapping of an executive of the Alfa Romeo car firm in central Milan. At the same time as the kidnapping, gunmen shot and fatally wounded a security guard at Autodelta, a Milan division of Alfa Romeo.

Police could not immediately determine whether a link existed between the abduction of Renato Sandrucci, 53, an Alfa Romeo industrial relations officer, and the shooting of guard Antonio Frasca, who died on his way to hospital.



CONTENDED: West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt (center), French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson (right) and German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher were all smiles Tuesday at the end of their talks, signifying contentment at the way Franco-German relations were developing.

Zhao to visit Dacca

17 rebel army officers arrested in Bangladesh

DACCA, June 3 (R) — Seventeen army officers have been arrested after an abortive armed rebellion in Bangladesh and an intensive search is on for others still at large according to a government statement.

It said rebel leader Maj. Gen. Abdul Manzur was killed in a gunfight in a jungle hideout after leading a coup attempt in which Bangladesh President Ziaur Rahman was assassinated Saturday.

President Zia was buried in Dacca Tuesday with full military honors, leaving behind him a power vacuum in the state that was created just 10 years ago.

President Zia, a soldier-statesman often described by his people as a benevolent ruler, was popular with the rural masses and restored stability after the assassination of his predecessor, President Mujibur Rahman, in 1975.

The acting President justice Abdus Sattar, is 75 and not in the best of health. He is unlikely to be a candidate in presidential elections which are due to take place within 180 days.

The revolt against Zia was apparently confined to a group in the army at Chittagong.

Rift widening with Soviets?

Polish group gets backing

EAST BERLIN, June 3 (R) — East Germany joined the Soviet Union Wednesday in showing support for a group of hard-line Polish Communists who have accused the Warsaw leadership of losing control in the country.

The official newspaper *Neues Deutschland* included extracts from a declaration by the so-called Katowice Forum in a fierce new attack of its own "counter-revolutionary forces" in the neighboring state.

The attack, also carried by all other East German papers, suggested that the Katowice group was the only political force which had correctly assessed the tense situation in Poland. The Soviet Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* quoted the declaration at length Tuesday, which implied Kremlin approval.

But the Polish Politburo condemned it Tuesday night as harmful and unacceptable, indicating a growing rift between the Communist rulers in Warsaw and Moscow. In its condemnation of developments in Poland, *Neues Deutschland* said: "Counter-revolutionary forces are stepping up their subversion in all spheres of social life and are going about their work more and more aggressively."

Neues Deutschland and the other East German papers underlined their support for the Katowice group by reprinting a summary of its declaration put out by the Soviet news agency Tass. In Czechoslovakia, where the direction taken by the Polish party has also been attacked, the newspaper of the Slovak Communist Party Wednesday accused certain public figures in Poland of advocating Trotskyite principles.

They and leaders of the Solidarity trade union had done this by repudiating the leading role of the Communist Party, the Bratislava paper *Pravda* said. In its article, *Neues Deutschland* said a recent attack on a Soviet memorial in the southern Polish town of Przemysl was a further link in a chain of serious political provocations.

The paper said that at the same time Western intelligence services were aiding the counter-revolutionaries and using the present atmosphere of "tension, anarchy and chaos" to expand their activities in Poland and recruit Poles as spies. "And foreign enemies

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PARIS, June 3 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson has said the North Atlantic alliance will remain central to France's foreign policy, but the new government of President Francois Mitterrand will set its own course.

Speaking to the diplomatic press two days before his departure for an official visit to Washington, Cheysson said Tuesday the allies must understand that the new team in Paris would respect all commitments of the previous government, but that there would be departures in policy.

"In any case, eventual divergences on this or that problem, and in particular in relations with the Third World, will in no way cause the French government to change its attitude toward the alliance itself," he said.

He said relations with the Third World are a fundamental element in the new foreign policy of France, for economic, political and humanitarian reasons, and that the government will support all those fighting racial or religious discrimination.

Concerning worries in some Arab countries about Mitterrand's election, Cheysson said the new president supports the security of all states, including that of Israel in its internationally recognized borders, as well as the right of people, including the Palestinians, to self-determination.

On European affairs, Cheysson said the Common Market must develop in a social dimension. He said the European Council must get away from what he called useless discussions on technical questions such as the quota of cheese imports from New Zealand and get down to work on more important European matters.

Replying to a question, he said that French foreign policy would be decided only by President Francois Mitterrand, Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy, himself and his two deputy ministers.

He said that only these five could be considered France's official foreign policy spokesmen and any statements by other ministers must be regarded as being made on a private and personal basis, and did not commit the government in any way.

Observers here considered that this remark could well apply to Regis Ebray, appointed a presidential adviser, who recently told a Danish daily newspaper that France would support all anti-imperialist movements.

(Debray is best known here for his revolutionary activities in South America, especially in Bolivia where he became a close friend of Ernesto "Che" Guevara and spent some time in jail.)

Good Morning

By Jibad Al Khazen

I happened recently to discover a job I never new existed. On a train journey, a longish one, I sat next to a well-spoken gentleman of around fifty, and we got to talking. His job, he said, was that of a "prison comedian."

"A what? A prison comedian." Do you mean a jailbird who tells jokes? You certainly don't look like a jailbird. "No, no, never been to prison in my life, as a prisoner, that is. Only in my personal capacity as a comedian."

The explanation, when it came, was simple. You start your career as a comedian in clubs, then you graduate to television, if you're good enough. Meanwhile, prison entertainment officers look around for comedians to enliven the prison concert parties. You accept such jobs when they're offered, thinking "just this once," and "until something better comes up."

Then slowly you begin to realize television programmers are not all that keen and club managers are somehow never there when you call. Prison entertainment officers, however, are always ready for a deal. So you tend to see them more. Suddenly you look around and that's the only steady source of income you have. You then think to yourself: "Well, what do you know, I'm a prison comedian. You shrug your shoulders and got on to it."

Get on with it now, I said. Tell me the kind of jokes the inmates enjoy. "Surprisingly," he said, "all they like are prison jokes." Three of the best he told me. And here they are for your inspection.

There's the one about the prisoner boasting how he is a self-made man. "When I was born," he said, "even my mother didn't want me. By the time I was twenty, I was 'most wanted' by police in twenty countries."

Then the one about the sick prisoner who kept having operations in which pieces from his anatomy were removed. By the time the sixth operation was completed the prison governor told him he knew what the trick was. "Trying to escape piecemeal, eh?"

Or of the two prisoners looking at the outside: the sun being out and Spring in the air. "Such a crime to stay indoors on a day like this..." one them sighed.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awlat

Vital heights recaptured, Iran claims

NICOSIA, June 3 (AP) — Iranian and Iraqi forces continued to fight along a 300-mile battlefield as Islamic foreign ministers meeting in Baghdad, the Iraqi capital, discussed efforts to end the eight-month-old war between the two neighbors.

The official Iranian news agency, Pars, said the Iranian forces have recaptured several strategic heights from the Iraqis after five days of fighting in the Nowsud and Nudshah areas in western Iran.

Pars also reported continuing artillery duels in the western Iranian province and in the nearby Marivan region. Pars charged that the Iraqi forces had shelled residential areas of the southern Iranian oil refining city of Abadan on the Shatt Al-Arab waterway, while clashes on the Abadan-Khunihsar front continued unabated.

Pars claimed a total of 282 Iraqi soldiers were killed in the fighting along these battle fronts, including those who were killed in the five days of fighting for the western Iranian heights.

Iraqi forces said Tuesday they killed 157 Iranians and lost only five of their own men in military operations in 24 hours. A high command communique released by the official Iraqi News Agency said 42 Iranian were killed in Iran's Nowsud area, 30 in the Dehla area of Khuzistan province, 66 in the Shush area and 19 in the Abadan region.

Paris office attacked

PARIS, June 3 (AFP) — A Molotov cocktail was thrown at an annex of the French Foreign Ministry early Wednesday. There were no casualties, and damage was slight. No group had yet claimed to have carried out the attack, police said.

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